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TWO MORE ITALIAN MINISTERS SENT TO THE FRONT TO TAKE COMMAND OF ALPINI DETACHMENTS: IL DUCE IN FULL CONTROL OF FOREIGN POLICY

Ciano's Appointment Important Political Development Of War

FOLLOWING ITALIAN DEFEATS IN AFRICA AND ALBANIA THE FASCISTS ARE MAKING DESPERATE ATTEMPTS TO BOLSTER UP THE MORALE OF THE ARMY AND PEOPLE, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

Yesterday morning two more Fascist leaders were sent to the front. They were the MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS, and MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION, who have been sent to Albania to assume command of the Alpini detachments. The latter Minister was the leader of the March on Rome.

COUNT CIANO, Italian Foreign Minister and Signor Mussolini's son-in-law, has taken command of a bomber squadron in the battle area.

Heaviest Losses

THE ITALIANS HAVE SUFFERED THEIR HEAVIEST LOSSES SINCE THE WAR IN ALBANIA BEGAN and the Greeks have taken more villages and strong heights, states a London message.

General Cavallero is continuing to make supreme efforts to regain lost ground.

IN COMMAND



COUNT CIANO

The Greeks have captured 90 more prisoners and automatic weapons.

The Allied air forces have been busily engaged bombing communications between Tepelini and Valona, while Italian formations have been bombing Greek forward positions.—(Special)

Counter-attacks by the Greeks in the extreme north sector resulted in the capture of heights of great strategic importance in the environs of the villages of Maline and Hondishte with more violent fighting, writes Reuter's Special correspondent on the Albanian frontier.

HEAVIEST PRESSURE

The Greeks are withstanding heaviest pressure by mortar fire in the upper Skumbi Valley and bitter hand to hand fighting in the Devoli Valley.

Between the Ostravitzo and Bockria mountains the supreme Italian effort was equally unsuccessful.

Admiral Raeder On Germany's Task

ADMIRAL RAEDER, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, addressing dock workers at Kiel yesterday said that it would be Germany's task to defeat British naval power, states a London message.

"We will deal out blows with all the strength at our command and will constantly engage the enemy. We do not under-rate him and we know he is tough. He will fight for his life and naturally try to escape disaster by all his means. We must win and we shall win."

Referring to the operations of U-boats against British shipping, Admiral Raeder reminded his hearers that damaged ships have to be repaired at the cost of building new ones.

With memories of the intense R.A.F. raids on Kiel, Bremen, and Wilhelmshaven fresh in their minds the German workers would readily think of the importance of raids on dockyards.

CSAKY'S FUNERAL

A Saigon message stated yesterday that the funeral of Count Csaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister, would take place on Jan. 30.—(Special)

The NEW YORK TIMES considers this appointment as the greatest political development of the war. Thus Signor Mussolini intends to take the whole of Italy's foreign policy in his own hands.

MARSHAL GRAZIANI, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Libya, has been dismissed. He is the eighth prominent Italian officer to be sacked.

SACKED



MARSHAL GRAZIANI

British Wireless states that Graziani will be succeeded by General "Bardi," but in London nothing is known of such an officer and it is thought that GENERAL MARIO BERTI, who fought in the Spanish campaign, is intended.

There is evidence of disorder and discontent in the Fascist regime, and the Fascist Party are alarmed and have begun to fear for the loyalty of the Army.

The predicament of the Fascists in Abyssinia is also serious.

FROM KENYA BORDER

British forces are pressing the Italians in Abyssinia from over the Kenya border.

The Libyan campaign is part of General Wavell's master plan to drive the Italians out of the African continent.

Only near Derna are the Italians making any real show of resistance. The important seaplane base at Bomba has been completely deserted by the Italian fleet air-arm.

In East Africa British forces have penetrated 100 miles into enemy territory.—(Special)

ITALY INCLUDED

Italy was included in the term "occupied Europe" by a commentator from London yesterday when he referred to the latest

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Five Points In Favour Of Britain's War Effort

A Moscow newspaper report, quoted by the B.B.C. makes the following points in favour of Britain's war effort:—

1. The German counter-blockade has not proved effective.
2. Britain's commerce and trade are not seriously interrupted.
3. Owing to the rapid growth of Britain's strength in the air the Port of London was still being used as a depot for seaborne trade.
4. Britain was intensifying her industrial organisation for war.
5. The United States was helping Britain by agreeing to the transfer of a large part of her Navy from the Western Hemisphere.—(Special)

Matsuoka Statement Increases Japan-U.S. Tension

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—There is surprise here, to put it mildly, that the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, should, at a time when relations are so unfortunately strained, have added to the tension by accusing Mr. Cordell Hull so bluntly and making a statement "so obviously distorted that it would not stand the briefest scrutiny."

If Japan really does desire better relations this appeared to be a curious way of achieving it with the United States.

Some observers add that Mr. Matsuoka's statement would appear to argue that Japan desires the relations to worsen rather than to improve.

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NEW JAPANESE DEMANDS ON THAI, INDO-CHINA, DUTCH EAST INDIES: WILL ALSO ASK FOR CAMBODIA

The JAPANESE are making new demands on INDO-CHINA, THAILAND and the DUTCH EAST INDIES, states a message from Sydney.

The Japanese aim seems to be to get control over the whole of Indo-China and a correspondent of the NEW YORK POST in Vichy thinks that Japan will also demand Cambodia.

According to this message, French officials express anxiety that Japan is seeking permanent occupation of Indo-China and Thailand.

A Moscow Radio message quotes a report from Manila stating that the Japanese Government have demanded a number of concessions in the Dutch East Indies, but adds that there is little likelihood of the concessions being granted.

Among the more important demands is the right to explore certain islands and also to land on a number of these.

TRADING CONCESSIONS

The Japanese are also claiming a further adjustment of trading concessions with the Dutch East Indies on more favourable terms to Japan.

A London message adds that Japanese relations with the D.E.I. came up before the Budget Committee of the Diet.

Mr. Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, said that the Dutch East Indies had refused in the past to accept proposals made by Japan which, he said, were reasonable. Every diplomatic resource would be strained to bring about better relations, he added.—(Special)

CONSULATE COMMUNIQUE

SINGAPORE, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—A Thai Consulate communique says that by an order, dated Jan. 26, the Thailand Supreme Command issued administrative regulations incorporating the territory already occupied within the contiguous Thai provinces.

EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA IS SAFE

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—Britain's crack liner, EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA, is safe in port.

A statement to this effect was issued in London following a German Radio statement that, according to an American report, distress signals were picked up from the Empress of Australia which was represented as being torpedoed 200 miles from Dakar and was "down by the bow" and the decks awash.

In accordance with the usual practice of not revealing the whereabouts of vessels, British disposition is limited to the above announcement.

Hostilities Cease

According to the Saigon radio, hostilities between INDO-CHINA and THAILAND ceased yesterday morning as a result of Japan's mediation.

For the first time for months, went on the radio announcement, no more firing was heard along the border and the people of Indo-China were glad that wisdom had prevailed over the spirit of adventure.

Conversations were to have commenced yesterday in Saigon to discuss the settlement and its details, Saigon had been selected for this important meeting as Hanoi was too far away from the scene of the hostilities.

DELEGATES ARRIVE

The chief of the Japanese Mission in Indo-China was expected to arrive in Hanoi yesterday by plane, while his collaborator was expected in a naval plane. Two other planes were expected to bring the Thai delegates from Bangkok for the conference.

A Japanese warship was expected in Saigon yesterday and it was declared that the conversations

would take place on board the vessel.—(Special)

NOT WITHDRAWN

BANGKOK, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—Prospects for a truce agreement for cessation of hostilities seem to be jeopardised if the Secretary-General of Indo-China is correctly reported as saying that fighting would only end if Thai forces are withdrawn completely from Indo-China.

Reuter learns from official quarters that Thai forces would not be withdrawn from Indo-China as a condition precedent to peace negotiations.

Export Of Goods To Germany Through Russia

MR. HUGH DALTON, Minister of Economic Warfare, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that conversations were taking place in Washington about the export of goods to Germany through Russia.

There were 400,000 Rumanians outside Rumania and they were on the side of the democratic countries.—(Special)



MR. HUGH DALTON

He said that there was ample evidence that the Soviet was sending goods purchased from America to Germany. The export of these goods had risen to 57,000 tons and exports of wheat on 1940 to Russia had totalled 100,000 tons.

The value of exports of oil-drilling machines to the Soviet in 1940 was considerably more than that of 1938.

Mr. Dalton said "We have made it quite clear to both countries on our feelings in this matter and I hope that as a result of the conversations taking place in Washington it will be possible to reduce this traffic."

"Every effort is being made to stop the export of German and Italian goods. The enemy is very anxious to acquire foreign exchange at present."—(Special)

Today's News Summary

BRITISH AND AUSTRALIAN FORCES ARE massing for the final assault on Derna. Meanwhile the Italians have deserted the important seaplane base at Bomba. Two more Italian Ministers have been sent to the front to take command of Alpini detachments while Count Ciano is now in command of a bomber squadron.

THE JAPANESE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE MADE fresh demands on Thailand, Indo-China and the Dutch East Indies and it is probable that they will also want Cambodia. But there is little likelihood of the concessions being granted.

IN A SPEECH BEFORE DOCK WORKERS AT KIEL, Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, said that it would be Germany's task to defeat British naval power. He referred with derision to the American aid to Britain.

THE ITALIANS HAVE SUFFERED THEIR HEAVIEST losses since the war began in Albania. The Greeks have taken more fresh heights and villages and have captured 90 prisoners and automatic weapons. Supreme efforts by Gen. Cavallero to regain the initiative have proved fruitless.

IT WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE BRITISH MINISTER of Economic Warfare yesterday that Italian prisoners of war may be brought to England for agricultural work. A considerable number of prisoners are being sent to India.

SOUTH CHINA FORWARDS IN SPLENDID FORM: DEFEAT NAVY IN KOTEWALL CUP

Lee Wai-tong Scores Three

A scintillating display by South China's front line and the fine goalkeeping of Robinson (Navy) were the highlights of the first match in the KOTEWALL CUP charity football competition at Sookunpoo yesterday when NAVY succumbed to the holders, SOUTH CHINA, by three goals to one, after the latter led by two clear goals at the interval.

South China were without Lee Kwok-wai while Navy brought in Williams, who played at left-half and Chapman and Birch, who formed the left flank.

The Chinese were on top from the start, there being complete unison among the forwards while their defence always had the measure of the losers.

Lee Wai-tong's good generalship had a telling effect on Navy's defence, besides scoring all his side's goals. The intermediate line of Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po and Lau Chung-sang were the complete masters in midfield while Tam Kwan-kon had little to do. Navy, on the whole, were disappointing and the only department to play true to form was the defence. Robinson was again prominent with his fine anticipation and daring saves while the backs, Roughley and O'Regan, were largely responsible for keeping the score down.

Navy forwards, though they showed flashes of good combination, lacked the necessary punch. Hendy and Le Page were always triers but the other flank was very weak.

A STINGER

Jumping right into their stride from the start South China moved to the attack. Lee Tak-kee cutting in to test Robinson with a stinger which the latter just managed to tip over the bar. A few minutes later the same player again narrowly missed scoring, his parting shot just scraping the upright. Navy broke away and Tam Kwan-kon did well to effect a ground shot from Honiwill's boot.

Following a nice movement initiated by the halves, LEE WAI-TONG opened South China's account from a pass from Lau Hing-choi. Taking up the attack again he looked like scoring but was robbed by Roughley when within distance. Shortly afterwards, how-

LACKED PUNCH

In the second half Hendy went to right-wing while Chapman and Birch also switched places. This resulted in a better semblance of combination but it still lacked punch. Assuming the role of attacker at the resumption Navy gave the Chinese defence many anxious moments and reduced arrears through a penalty awarded for tripping. Henry making no mistake from the "spot."

This success, however, was short-lived for, a minute later LEE WAI-TONG increased the score. Receiving a pass from the right, Lee eluded Hazard, and sent in a hard drive that gave Robinson no chance. Undaunted Navy tried hard but found that the Chinese defence was that just too good though they had a bigger share of the exchanges than in the first half.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tee Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po, Lau Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong; Chow Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau.

NAVY: Robinson; Roughley, O'Regan; Honeywell, Hazard, Williams; Le Page, Hendy, Honiwill, Chapman and Birch.

DESERVING WIN FOR THE ARMY OVER CHINESE IN LAI WAH CUP SOCCER

Goalkeepers On Top Form: Tee Tin-sang Injured

A hat trick registered by Fox during the extra time period gave ARMY a thoroughly deserved victory over the CHINESE by four goals to one in the semi-final of the LAI WAH CUP FOOTBALL COMPETITION at Causeway Bay ground on Monday afternoon before a capacity crowd. Army will now meet CIVILIANS in the final the latter having eliminated the NAVY on Sunday by a similar margin.

The match on Monday was marred by an unfortunate accident in which Lee Tin-sang, the veteran Interport and Sing Tao back, sustained a fractured right arm following a collision with Owens. Army right wing, late in the second half, Lee was carried off the field where he received immediate medical attention.

Lee Wai-tong, who had not been much in the picture in attack, took up the position of left back until the end of the first half of extra time. By this time the Army were leading 3-1 and Lee returned to the attack and, despite desperate attempts to turn the tide the Chinese failed and had to admit defeat at the hands of a team that was much better on the day's play.

The Army brought in Pearson at inside-right in place of Hossack who is on the sick list while Kwok Ying-ki replaced Lau Hing-choi at right half-back in the Chinese side.

CHINESE SCORE

Right from the start the Army asserted a superiority which they maintained and, much against the run of play, the Chinese found the net through Hau Ching-to after Bankier had only partly cleared a shot from Chung Yung-sum. Though Army continued to press the forwards failed to shoot and primary cause for this was the fact that Fox was prone to be selfish. On many occasions he could have passed instead of keeping the ball to himself and then shooting when it was too late.

It was in the second half that Army drew level when Weir scored with a neat shot that had Cheung Wing-choi well beaten. A ding-dong struggle ensued and it was necessary to call extra time.

In this period the efforts of Fox were well rewarded for he soon put the soldiers in the lead, added a second goal and completed his hat trick from a "spot kick."

BRIGHT ON FORM

Outstanding players for Army were Bright, in the pivotal berth, Naysmith and Fraser, at back, the latter in particular doing sterling work. Birrell and Bankier in between the sticks. Duffield played well on the left wing while on the right flank, Owens, while being very speedy did not centre strong enough.

The Chinese were best served by Soong Ling-sing, Cheung Wing-choi, who brought off many fine saves in goal, Tsang Chung-wan, Lee Tin-sang (until he was injured and could not continue) and Kwok Ying-ki.

This was the second major defeat for the Chinese in competitive football this season China having lost to Scotland by the odd goal in 11 in the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup competition.

A pleasing feature of Monday's game was the splendid co-operation between the linemen and the referee, Mr. R.M. Omar, who handled the match most efficiently.

The teams were:—
ARMY — Bankier; Naysmith,

WEEK-END CRICKET:

LATE DECLARATION BY UNIVERSITY IN GAME AGAINST THE CHAMPIONS DEPRECATED

HOLIDAY SOFTBALL

PORTUGAL HUMBLER MOHAWKS

BY R.O.Y.

After putting up a flashy exhibition of softball to down the U.S. Navy in nine innings yesterday in aid of the Bomber Fund, the Mohawks turned out for their second game in as many days yesterday when they were humbled by Portugal 10 runs to two before a record crowd that paid about \$430 to the funds of St. Vincent de Paul's Society.

Two games in successive days were evidently too much for the Mohawks who failed to reproduce their usual form but Portugal, on the other hand, could do nothing wrong and held the opposition scoreless for the first eight stanzas.

However, they appeared rattled early in the last frame when the Mohawks garnered two tallies to save the white wash.

SCORES

The following are the scores of yesterday's and Monday's games respectively:— Portugal 10, Mohawks 2; Mohawks 9, U.S. Navy 1; Combined Ladies 9, K.F.C. 7.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

FOOTBALL — Second Division, Royal Scots v. Engineers (Sookunpoo), 2.30 p.m.; Third Division, Medicals v. Engineers (Military), 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

MEETING — Extraordinary General of Kowloon Cricket Club, 6.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

CRICKET — "A" Division, Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C., Civil Service C.C. v. Recreio, University v. Craigengower. "B" Division, Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Indian R.C. v. University, Craigengower v. Civil Service C.C.

HOCKEY TRIAL

Seventeen Players Are Named

Hockey of a standard only slightly higher than that of last Saturday's Interport trial was seen at King's Park yesterday morning when a second trial was held to select a Colony side to travel to Macao.

Yesterday's trial revealed Hong-kong to be weak in very nearly every department of the game and it remains to be seen how any Colony team selected from the players on view yesterday can stand up to Macao.

NOT SATISFIED

The selectors, not satisfied with what they had seen, named 17 players after the match to take part in one or two practice games before the final team will be chosen. Fifteen players from these 17 will travel to Macao.

Selected for further practice games were: Goal: V. M. Benwell (Club); Backs: V. C. Bond (Club), J. Gonsalves (Recreio) and Capt. Kampta Prasad (Punjabis).

Halves: R. Marques (Recreio), M. H. Hassan (Khalsa), Capt. H. Wood (Rajputs), W. A. Reed (Club), N. B. M. Whitley (Club) and A. M. Alves (Recreio).

Forwards: D. T. Smith (Club), Lt. J. E. Ross (Punjabis), G. Singh (Khalsa), A. E. Guest (Khalsa), C. Parker (Police), H. L. Ozorio (Recreio) and W. Brown (Police).

OTHERS TRIED

Other players who were given a trial yesterday were J. Gosano and Man Singh (Backs), Karmandar Singh, R. Soares, Jasbir Singh, G. Gosano and Narwant Singh (Forwards).

RECREIO WIN

In a Hockey Association tournament match, played at King's Park on Monday, Recreio defeated the University by seven goals to one.

Fraser; Birrell, Bright, Freshwater; Owens, Pearson, Fox, Weir and Duffield.

CHINESE — Cheung Wing-choi; Tsang Chung-wan, Lee Tin-sang; Kwok Ying-ki, Soong Ling-sing, Hsu King-sing; Chung Yung-sum, Fung King-cheong, V.K. Hui, Lee Wai-tong and Hau Ching-to.

Recreio Juniors Routed At Home By Kowloon C.C.

BY "BARNABAS"

OF THE SEVEN CRICKET MATCHES PLAYED DURING THE WEEK-END, FOUR WERE LEAGUE GAMES (two in the Senior League and two in the Junior). While Craigengower registered a fairly easy win over the Civil Servants, the Kowloon C.C. (last year's champions) who are regarded as very strong contenders for the Senior League Championship honours, suffered a set-back in their drawn game against the University. The University, I may add, in spite of their weakness both in batting as well as in bowling, have done pretty well, having won one and drawn two of their three League matches.

In the Junior League, Kowloon C.C. accounted for Recreio, a very serious rival in their championship aspirations, and if they can now dispose of Craigengower as well, the championship is practically in their pocket. A draw featured the other Junior League game — that between Civil Service and the University.

The match between Kowloon put on 123 runs before the last C.C. and the University at Gov. wicket fell at about 4.45 p.m. Road ended in a draw which may thus leaving the K.C.C. just an hour to make the necessary runs to win.

The K.C.C. made a great effort to knock off the runs but, as was to be expected, they were beaten by the clock.

Donald Anderson batted brightly for his 50 runs and Norman Mackay helped with 28. If Francis Lay or Francis Zimmerman, the two fast scorers the K.C.C. have, had been able to get going, a different complexion might have been put on the game. As it was, the former's contribution was a modest one and the latter's six.

LACK OF ENTERPRISE

Those who saw this particular game very much deprecated the lack of enterprise shown by the "Varsity" batsmen who paid more attention to the straightness of

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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Inter-
cession.

12.30 Auber—"Fra Diavolo" Overture.
Milan Symphony Orchestra con-
ducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.

12.40 Welsh Songs.

Song of the Flood (Hirathog-
Fychan); Olwen Mine (Cwys);

William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp
acc. Dear Wales (Roberts); The Vil-
lage Spring (Roberts)—Lelia Mevane

(Contralto) w. Piano acc. David of
the White Rock; The Vale of Llangollen

(Trad.); The Stars in Heaven are
Bright; She Must Be Mine (Trad.)

—Ben Morgan (Tenor) with Piano
acc. Over the Stone; The Ash Grove

(Trad.)—Ben Morgan (Tenor) w.
Piano acc.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Wea-
ther Report.

1.03 Mozart—Concerto in C Minor.
1st Mov. Allegro; 2nd Mov.

Larghetto; 3rd Mov. Allegretto—
Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The Lon-
don Philharmonic Orchestra cond.

by Lawrence Collingwood.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Wea-
ther Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Latest Variety.

Comedian—She Was Very, Very Shy
(Sarony and Holmes); Sarah, Sarah
(Noel and Peles)—Arthur Askey with
Orchestra. Instru.—Rocky Mountain

Melodies. Intro: Buffalo Gal; Home
on the Range; Red River Valley; She'll
be coming round the mountain; The
little red patch on the seat of my
trousers—Big Bill Campbell and
His Rocky Mountain Rhythm with
Vocal Chorus. Vocal—Tigert's Bone!

(Halifax); Shake Down the Stars
(De Lange-Van Heusen)—Elsie Car-
lisle with Instru. acc. Vocal—Remem-
ber September (Noel-Peles); Love
Stay In My Heart (from "Top of the
World")—Les Allen with Instr. acc.

2.15 Close down.

2.45 Indian Programme.

2.50 Closing local Stock Quotations.

3.32—Excerpts from Act II of
Mozart's "The Magic Flute."

Sung by Scheppan, Marherr, Berg,
lund, Huch, Roswaenge, Tessner,
Berger, Strienz, Belke, Spletter, Lem-
nitz, and Chorus with Philharmonic
Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas
Beecham.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of
the Hour.

7.30 Sydney Gustard at the Organ.
Medley of Old Time Songs—English
and Scottish. Musical Comedy Med-
ley.

7.42 Hawaiian Selections.

Slippery Fingers (Smek); Fox-Trot
—Serenade in the Night—The Kelson
Hawaiian Players with Vocal Chorus.
Hawaiian Love Bird (Denniker and
Razaf); Smiling Eyes (Nawahi)—King
Nawahi's Hawaiians. Fox-Trots—A
Song of Old Hawaii; South of Pago-
Pago—Ray Kinney and His Hawaiian
Musical Ambassadors with Vocal Re-
frain.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.

8.03 A Programme of English
Composers.

Chaconne (Purcell, 1659-1695);
Pavane; Gaillard (Byrd, 1542-1623)—
Society of Ancient Instruments. Air
and Hornpipe (Purcell)—Edith Pen-
ville (Flute) w. Piano. The Faery
Queen—Three Dances (Purcell)—The
Jacques String Orchestra. English
Folk Song—Suite (Vaughan Wil-
liams); Seventeen come Sunday; my
Bonny Boy; Folk Songs from Somer-
set—Columbia Broadcasting Symphony
Orchestra conducted by Howard Bar-
low.

8.30 Studio—"British Prose Writ-
ers" No. 1: Bunyan.

Talk by Father T. Ryan, S. J.

8.50 Three Songs by Stuart Robert-
son (Bass-Baritone).

Widdicombe Fair (arr. Jacob);
Richard of Taunton Deans (arr. Mol-
loy). The Soucy Arethusa (Trad.)—
with Male Chorus Piano and Orches-
tra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and
News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Democ-
racy Marches."

9.45 Grieg—Concerto in A Minor,
Op. 16.

William Backhaus (Piano) and The
New Symphony Orchestra cond. by
John Barbirolli.

10.13 Songs by Kirsten Flagstad
(Soprano).

"Laughing and Weeping, Op. 59. No.
4 (Schubert); My Love Is Green, Op.
63, No. 5 (Schumann-Brahms); The
Trout, Op. 33 (Schubert). A Swan,
Op. 25, No. 2 (Beech, trs. Henzen-
Grieg)—with Piano accompaniment by
Edwin McArthur.

10.23 Compositions of Dvorak.
Carnaval—Overture—London Sym-
phony Orchestra cond. by Albert
Coates. Slavonic Dance No. 16 in A
Flat Major—Czech Philharmonic Or-
chestra "cond. by Václav Talich.
Rumorske—Comedy Harmonists
Slavonic Rhapsody, Op. 45. No. 3—Sir
Thomas Beecham cond. the London
Philharmonic Orchestra. Songs by
Mother taught Me—Yehudi Menuhin
(Violin) w. Piano. Legende, Op. 59
No. 3—Sir Thomas Beecham cond. the
London Philharmonic Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

SHORT WAVE

DAVENTRY

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Transmission I—News Sum-	4.00 p.m.
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NO. 817

ACROSS	DOWN
5 Stop	7 records
8 Treatise	12 Catalogue
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12 Colour	16 sion
13 Dominion	17 Rodent
14 Street	18 Fish
15 Vessel	19 Not
16 Trench	20 fastened
17 Nose	21 Card
18 trouble	22 Hot-
19 Bounds	23 spirited
20 Whole	24 Possession
21 creation	
22 Silly	

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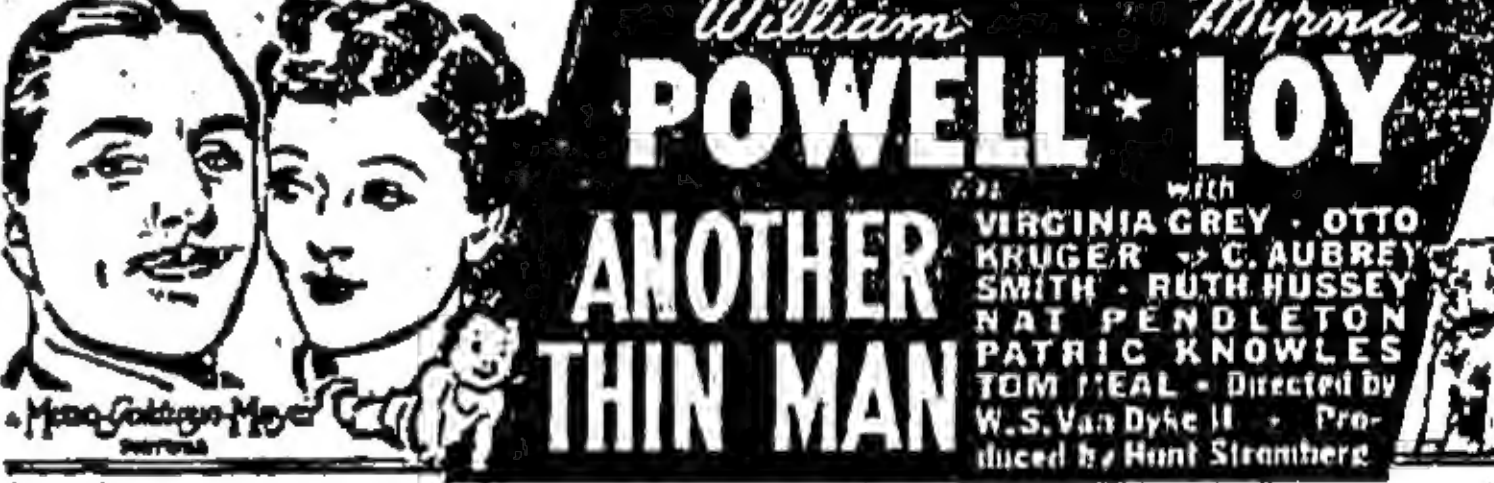
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Chief of India, has assumed com-

mand in succession to Gen. Sir

Robert Archibald Cassels, G.C.B.,

K.C.B., C.B., C.S.I., D.S.O.

COUNT CIANO ON ACTIVE SERVICE

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The

Italian Foreign Minister, Count

Ciano, has taken command of a

bomber squadron in the battle

area, according to a Rome des-

patch to the German news agency

yesterday. Count Ciano is a lieut-

enant-colonel in the air force.

CHEN LI-FU GIVEN CONCURRENT POST

Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of

Education, has been appointed by

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek

concurrently, Secretary-General of

the National Spiritual Mobilisation

Movement, succeeding General

Chang Chun, who resigned on ac-

count of his heavy duties as

Governor of Szechwan.

The Deputy Secretary-General

of the Movement is Mr. Ku Cheng-

kang, Minister of Social Welfare.

(Central News)

FOUR-FRONT OFFENSIVE AGAINST ITALY'S AFRICAN EMPIRE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS

British Forces Operating 100 Miles Inside Eritrea

CAIRO, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The British forces are nearly 100 miles inside Eritrea while in Libya General Wavell's army is rapidly moving up in support of the advance forces. Motorised infantry, reinforced by mechanised units, are now beyond Tobruk.

On four fronts the British offensive on the Italian African Empire is continuing in full blast. A British communiqué states that operations are progressing satisfactorily in Libya, Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland while the British are closing in on new Italian positions in Eritrea where hundreds of prisoners were taken in the first week of operations.

The forces are now approaching the Italian positions at Akordat, an important town on the railway leading to the Red Sea port of Massawa, writes Reuter's Special correspondent.

The Akordat defences mainly consist of barbed wire fences and machine-gun posts behind stone walls or concealed among boulders dotting the plain round the town. There is no natural protection.

The British threat to Barentu, south of Akordat, is also growing.

Meanwhile motorised units are harrying the tail of the Italian column retreating from Umm Haggar which was evacuated on Sunday.

RETREAT HARRIED

This column is estimated at three or four battalions and is withdrawing eastwards along the Setit River.

Besides taking over 1,000 prisoners hitherto in their push into Eritrea the British forces, it is learned, have captured a certain amount of material, including a fair number of lorries and some guns.

On the Kenya front the Italians, who three or four weeks ago were at many points within the Kenya border, have now generally been forced back some distance on the other side.

It is stated that to all intents and purposes no Italians remain in Kenya territory.

South African, East African and West African troops are engaged in patrol work in this area.

RUMBLE OF GUNS

In the light of the setting sun I can hear the distant rumble of guns faintly over the desert, writes Reuter's correspondent at Gubruk.

Earlier on Monday it was a little louder and a little nearer. The battle moves on with unbroken regularity.

While British planes continue constant patrols over enemy territory the Italian air force, which has been almost completely absent since the fall of Bardia, remains on the ground.

A captured Italian pilot told me that long rows of machines on aerodromes to the rear had been put out of action by British bombers.

SEVERE DAMAGE

Tobruk itself suffered severely under the bombardment by the Navy and R.A.F. From the minaret of the mosque, which almost miraculously escaped damage, I had a panoramic view of the town.

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WILLKIE IN LONDON

LUNCHES WITH THE PRIME MINISTER

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—"I have come here to have a look round and deliver a letter from President Roosevelt to Mr. Churchill," declared black-haired, stocky, smiling Wendell Willkie to Reuter's representative on his arrival here.

"I am not going to say anything now and I have not made any arrangements but I expect to meet a good few people and see a good deal. I also hope to study your political, social and economic conditions."

Mr. Willkie said that he had a good trip all the way over right up to the time of landing which was made in misty and slightly foggy weather.

Mr. Willkie was welcomed by representatives of the Prime Minister and the Foreign Office and the American Embassy.

CROWDED DAY

Mr. Willkie's first day in London was crowded with activity. An hour's talk with the Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, was followed by luncheon with Mr. Churchill to whom he delivered a personal message from President Roosevelt. Later he saw the Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

After receiving the press in the morning he made a quick tour of the devastated area around St. Paul's Cathedral and through the ruins of the Guildhall.

"I have met nobody downhearted so far," he said, "and I didn't expect to. You people must survive."

TO VISIT EIRE

He indicated that he would visit the industrial centres of Britain and said: "If some of your methods are better than ours then I will try my best to introduce them into our industries and if there are some ways in which we are better than you then I am sure that you would incorporate them into your factories."

Mr. Willkie stated that he intended to visit Eire and call on Mr. Eamon de Valera.

DE VALERA PLEASED

DUBLIN, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Mr. De Valera, when told that Mr. Wendell Willkie had expressed a desire to visit him, said: "I would be very pleased to see him."

It is now understood that Mr. Willkie may go to Eire next week.

SERIOUS DISORDERS IN MILAN, TURIN

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The Italian secret police and Gestapo have arrested between 20 and 30 people, including Italian Army officers and Fascist officials at Milan and Turin, according to the Belgrade correspondent of the "New York Times."

The report states that disorders at Milan and Turin have been serious and far-reaching, and that other industrial cities are also affected.

BIG RUMANIAN MAN-HUNT FOR IRON GUARD LEADERS

BUCHAREST, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Military and police patrols are now engaged in one of the biggest man-hunt in Rumania's history following the collapse of the five-day Iron Guard revolt against the Government of General Antonescu.

The rebel leaders still at liberty are being vigorously rounded up and secret stores of arms seized.

Life in Bucharest is almost normal except in certain districts which are cordoned off by the military.

Train services are restricted but the ordinary public are required to obtain permission to travel.

General Antonescu has signed a decree militarising all police stations at the frontier, at ports, aerodromes and railway stations according to a Bucharest despatch to the Berlin news agency.

MILITARY CABINET

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—General Ion Antonescu, the Rumanian Premier, formed a new military Cabinet yesterday save a Bucharest telegram.

All portfolios except those of Justice, Labour and Propaganda are entrusted to generals.

No member of the Iron Guard or representative of the Carol regime is included in the new government.

It is stated that the task of the new ministry will be "to restore order in the country and to repair the wrongs done by different regimes during the last few years."

Remarkable Statement By Japanese Prime Minister

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Announcing what he called "my last service to the state," the Premier, Prince Konoye made a remarkable statement on the Sino-Japanese war to the Budget Committee of the Lower House yesterday.

"Although the Sino-Japanese conflict has entered its fifth year," he said, "there is little prospect of a settlement. The fighting services are not responsible. It is nobody's responsibility but mine. I feel unpardonable before the Throne and the entire nation that already millions of yen have been spent and thousands of soldiers sacrificed. I am determined to exert myself to the utmost in overcoming this situation as my last service to the state."

FIAT FIGHTERS NO OPPOSITION TO THE R.A.F.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE MAINTAINED

CAIRO, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Five Italian fighter aircraft were shot down on Sunday by British fighters which maintained patrols throughout the day, according to an R. A. F. communiqué.

Three Fiat bi-plane fighters were shot down near Mechillie (south of Derna) and two Fiat monoplanes attacking British troops near Derna were shot down in flames although protected by a number of other fighters.

On the landing ground near Mechillie, one Savoia bomber was destroyed on the ground.

A raid was carried out by British bombers on Sunday on the aerodrome at Barce (Libya). Bombs fell near the hangars and dispersed aircraft. Direct hits were also registered on the adjacent buildings. A number of aircraft on the ground were damaged.

DERNA RAIDED

An attack was also made on the landing ground at Derna. One British aircraft is missing.

In Italian East Africa, continued support was given to the army in its advance into Eritrea. Bombs were dropped near a bridge at Hellina and a motor transport was machine-gunned at Barentu by aircraft of the Rhodesian squadron.

Other aircraft of the same squadron attacked a motor transport convoy near Umm Haggar and registered direct hits.

The landing ground in the Tellina-Derna area was also bombed.

HEAVY R.A.F. RAID ON HANOVER

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Two large fires and several small fires were started when a small force of R.A.F. bombers successfully attacked industrial targets in Hanover in the early hours of Monday. None of our aircraft are missing.

GENERAL WAVELL IN ATHENS

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—A report from Istanbul that General Sir Archibald Wavell recently visited Athens is confirmed in authoritative circles in London last night.

It is stated that the visit was "for the purpose of conferring on certain aspects of aid which Great Britain has been giving and is continuing to give Greece in her resistance to Italian aggression."

Nazi Officers Head Italian War Machine

ANKARA, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Large forces of German troops are pouring into Southern Italy and Germans are taking control of the Italian armies, according to the Ankara radio.

The announcer said that special measures are being taken in Italy to conceal these movements.

German Staff officers have been despatched to take charge of the duties of Italian Staff officers in all the Italian divisions, army corps and army headquarters.

The announcer adds: "This means, of course, that the Italian defence organisation will very shortly be controlled by Germany."

PRETORIA, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—

The South African air force is immediately to undergo considerable expansion, according to an official announcement. Several thousand pilots will be required.

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LULL IN GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The remarkable lull in German air activity over Britain continued on Sunday.

Only attack throughout the

country during daylight was by a single aircraft which dropped a bomb on the north-east coast, and even this caused no damage or casualties.

This was announced in an Air Ministry communiqué issued on Sunday evening.



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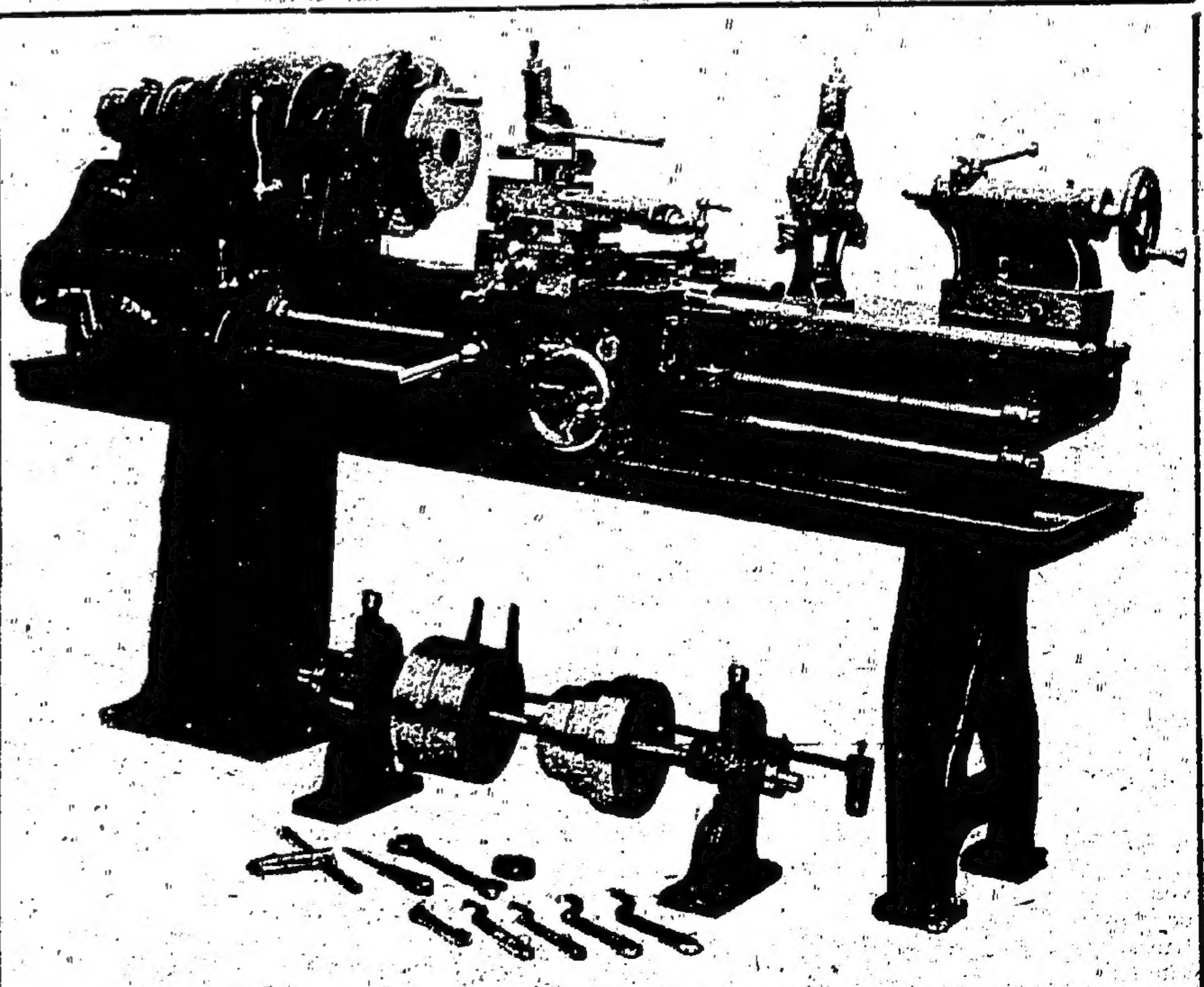
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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

STOLE FOUNTAIN PENS

A youth, Li Kwong hung, 18, who when arrested claimed kinship to Lee Wai-tong, the soccer idol, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on a charge of stealing eight fountain pens, the property of Lau Chui, from the ground floor of No. 132, Des Voeux Road Central on Jan. 26.

Det. Sgt. W. Summers said that the fountain pens were contained in a tray, which was placed outside the shop.

In Court, defendant stated that he had no relatives in the Colony. Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

SEQUEL TO PLANT RAID

A raid on an alleged forger's plant at an unnumbered hut above Shing On Street, Shaokwan, was carried out by the Police on Sunday.

In "the premises" were found a hand press, three hand rollers, three engraving tools, a numbering block, five copper plates for forging \$1 banknotes of the Hong Kong Government, 10 copper plates for forging Chinese Government banknotes, 1,455 sheets of blank paper, and two sample copies of forged bank note.

As a sequel, two 21-year-old youths, Wong Shing and Yu Cheuk, who were arrested in the raid, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on charges of possession of instruments, copper plates, paper for forging banknotes, and two printed copies.

On the application of Det. Sub-Insp. W. N. Darkin, a 72 hours remand was granted.

ILLEGAL PAWNING ALLEGED

Tsang Wing-san, 24, residing at No. 21, D'Aguiar Street, first floor, Clerk of Tajmahal Silk Store, Queen's Road Central, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on charges of stealing a quantity of clothing from the store and illegal pawning of part of the stolen articles.

Defendant was alleged to have stolen on divers date six pieces of gold lame, six pieces velvet, one piece gold printed lame, three pieces silver lame, two manicure sets and four compacts, then being a clerk in the employ of S. Narain, proprietor of the store.

On the application of Det. Sgt. W. Summers, defendant was remanded for 48 hours for enquiries.

MANSLAUGHTER CASE

Hearing of the case in which Lau Mei-hok, alias Hak Tsai, mafio, was charged with manslaughter was fixed for tomorrow at 3 p.m., when defendant appeared on remand before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Defendant was alleged to have fought with another mafio, Lam Ying-kwong, over a debt at the Hongkong Jockey Club Stables on Jan. 3.

Det. Sub-Insp. W. N. Darkin is in charge of the case.

DOCTORS MUST KNOW ENGLISH

Important amendments to the Medical Registration Ordinance are embodied in a new bill to be presented in Legislative Council shortly.

One of the clauses insists upon an adequate knowledge of the English language both written and spoken. Lack of such knowledge has been pleaded in extenuation of breaches of regulations inquired into by the Medical Board.

Another amendment deals with disciplinary measures affecting doctors held guilty of "infamous conduct."

DEAD BODY LEFT LYING IN STREET

The body of a Chinese male, found on the pavement in Jordan Road, outside the showrooms of the Gas Company, was allowed to remain there for several hours, as the traffic policeman on duty in the vicinity, so it was said, could not leave his post to make a report until 9 a.m.

MOTOR ACCIDENT

When the motorcycle on which he was travelling skidded, Mr. T. E. Jackson, Senior Surveyor of ships, was heavily thrown to the ground on Castle Peak Road, near the Lanchuk Hospital, on Monday afternoon.

Sustaining injuries to the body, Mr. Jackson was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital, where his condition was reported to be not serious.

AT KOWLOON

LARCENY BY BAILEE

Cheung Ki fat, 37, and his wife, Lai Yin-ha, 24, were charged before Mr. K.M.A. Barnett yesterday with larceny of two sets of mahjongg by bailee.

Pleading guilty, first defendant was fined \$100 or three months in prison, while his wife was discharged owing to insufficient evidence.

Det. Sgt. C. Pope prosecuted.

BAIL ESTREATED

Charles G. McComble, 29, deck officer on board a British steamer, had his bail of \$25 estreated yesterday when he failed to appear before Mr. Barnett on a charge of assault.

Defendant was accused of assaulting a merchant, George Daniel Hartschmidt, 26, of No. 30, Mody Road on Monday at the Peninsula Hotel.

HIS 13th CONVICTION

Convicted for the 13th time, Li Ngau, 28, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Barnett yesterday for larceny of a jacket, two pullovers and a violin from a student, Chiu Tse-kong, at No. 28, Tai Po Road. Defendant was also placed under Police supervision for two years.

It was stated that a Chinese detective saw defendant carrying the violin and a box at Tai Po Road. When questioned he admitted that he had stolen them.

THEFT OF CHICKEN

Ten weeks' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Barnett yesterday on Tsui Cheung, 22, for larceny of a cooked chicken from Tam Yee, widow.

It was said that complainant was walking along Shanghai Street holding the chicken in her hand on Monday when defendant came from behind and snatched it from her. She gave chase and a Chinese constable arrested defendant.

Accused had a previous conviction.

SNATCHER REMANDED

Charged before Mr. Barnett yesterday with larceny of a gold chain with jade from a married woman, Kwong Ching, at Shanghai Street, Chan Sai, 19, was remanded for three days.

It was alleged that defendant snatched the chain from complainant outside No. 438, Shanghai Street and was arrested at Nathan Road.

ARRESTED BY A WOMAN

Appearing before Mr. Barnett yesterday on charges of larceny of house fixtures and possession of a chisel fit for unlawful purpose, Yeung Hi, 40, was remanded for 72 hours.

It was stated that complainant, Chu Mui-kwai, married woman, residing at No. 137, Kwelin Street, heard sounds from the staircase about 5 p.m. on Saturday. She peeped through the hole and saw defendant who was acting in a suspicious manner. She came down and caught hold of defendant and sent her son to inform the Police.

Defendant had stolen two pieces of wood from the staircase and had a chisel in his possession.

HEARING FIXED

Hearing was fixed for Jan. 31 by Mr. Barnett yesterday for the case in which Leung Hak-chiu, 30, was charged with larceny of \$370 from Ip Chun, 36, unemployed.

POLICE REPORTS

Cheung Chung-tak, residing at No. 65, Wongneichung Road, reports that while he was purchasing tickets at the King's Theatre on Monday, he had \$2,000 picked from his hip pocket.

Au Lam, 32, gardener, reports that while he was walking in Po Kong Village, near Kowloon City, at 7 p.m. on Monday, he was held up by three men armed with daggers, who robbed him of a wrist watch and \$30 in cash.

Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory, was bitten on the hand by a dog belonging to Mr. MacKenzie, of "Carnarvon Building," on Monday. Mr. Jeffries received treatment at home, while the dog was sent to Maatankok for observation.

Mr. Liu Sui-chang has been appointed Director of the Civil Affairs Department of the Ministry of Interior.

FUNERAL OF MRS. R. CARROLL
OLD RESIDENT OF COLONY

The funeral of Mrs. Rose Carroll, who died of bronchial pneumonia on Monday at No. 13, Bowen Road, at the age of 80, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday.

The Rev. Frs. A. Riganti, G. M. Spada and Grampa officiated at the funeral service held in the Chapel.

Mrs. Carroll came to Hong Kong at the age of 25, and had been here since. She was the widow of John Carroll of Co. Cork, Ireland, who died in London in 1916.

She leaves two sons—Messrs. W. J. and A. H. Carroll—and two daughters—Mrs. Mary Carroll-Smith of San Francisco and Mrs. D. Rapp of London—to mourn her death.

Besides the chief mourners, there were also present Messrs. E. Abraham, G. A. Walker, F. W. Stapleton, S. H. Joseph, D. Passmore, W. J. O'Neill, Leonard, A. V. Gosano, F. P. Lenfesty, R. Abraham, T. Yamada, W. Goldenberg, Sei Kon-chi, H. A. Lammer, F. Grose, R. S. Capell, E. H. P. White, T. Ito, J. Matsumoto, S. Tanaka, K. Ikuta, F. X. D'Almada, Kishimoto, G. A. Hartman, G. A. Lee, Lo Kin-fai, Mrs. Fido, Mrs. Fisher, Miss Braga, Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonjee, Dr. and Mrs. Atienza, Dr. E. L. de Sousa, and Mrs. Hunt, and many others.

THE WREATHS

Among the profusion of wreaths sent were those from members of the family, Mrs. Fido, C. L. Liang, Wong Yau, May Anderson, R. A. Dastur, C. H. Liang, M. Nemazee, J. Matsumoto (2), Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harriman, T. Yamada, Mrs. E. Neves and family, Mrs. A. White, Margie and Pat, Y. Kondo, Ernest Sze-kwong, Dr. and Mrs. Ernest To, Mrs. C. Leonard and family, Mrs. A. Topwar, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Yolle and family, Dr. and Mrs. A. Gourdin, Tony and Celice, Miss K. K. Lau, Miss Gue, K. Shibata, F. E. Nash, Toshihiko, Ito, Kitty and Kenneth, Mrs. M. F. O'Sullivan and family, Mrs. Banker and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stapleton, Jeannette, Fisher, Allison Fisher, Chengto, C. T. Chang, Li Wai-sun, Miss D. Cox, Yim Keewong, George Lee, Mr. and Mrs. F. Grose and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bok, Freddie Lenfesty, Mrs. Capell and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Hyland, Dr. and Mrs. M. N. Atienza, M. Taketo, Ho Wing, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Joseph, H. B. Joseph, A. R. H. Esmail, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Edgar, Committee and Members of Sports Club, H.K. Sharebrokers Association, Yeung Yau and Co., Chao Po Min and Co., Ruth, Arthur, Roy, and Donald, and Lo Kin Fai and Co.

MRS. A. RAFEK

The funeral of Mrs. Amina Rafeek, who died at her residence, No. 118 Caine Road, on Sunday, took place at the Mohammedan Cemetery on Monday afternoon. Mulvi Mohammed Noor Shah officiated at the religious ceremony at the mosque and at the graveside.

The deceased, who was 87 years of age, was one of the oldest residents in the Colony, and was the mother of Mr. M. Rafeek, of the O.S.K.

The chief mourners were the deceased's son and Messrs. A. E. M. Rafeek, Solomon Rafeek, Omar Rafeek and Osman Rafeek (grandsons); Misses Sophie Rafeek, Molly Rafeek, Aisha Rafeek, Lelya Rafeek and Mrs. A. H. Rumjahn (grand-daughters); Miss Mariam Rafeek (great-grand-daughter); and Messrs. A. H. Rumjahn and A. H. Rahurmed (great-grand sons-in-law).

Others present were Messrs. U. Rumjahn, M. A. Razack, A. G. Sufmad, N. Arab, A. Bux, S. A. Casumbhoy, Zimmern, Chow Shukam, E. Sadick, Lo Yu-yun, Miss Sin and many others.

LANDSLIDE VICTIMS

The four victims of the landslide which occurred in Ventris Road last Thursday morning were buried in the Chinese Cemetery, Pokfulam, on Saturday. The service at the graveside was conducted by Pastor C. Larsen, of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

The funeral was attended by many members of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission in Hong Kong.

The death occurred on January 17, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, of Kenneth Arthur, aged 9 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Toon. The funeral took place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery on January 20.

DARING RAID ON JUNK

Five armed men carried out a daring raid on a junk anchored in Tai O harbour at 1 a.m. yesterday, resulting in one person being killed and three wounded, one seriously.

According to a report, the marauders, after holding up the crew, took the junk into tow out of the harbour, where they began removing the cargo to their own boat.

A fight between the crew and the robbers ensued, and one of the crew was killed and three others wounded by the pirates who made good their escape.

H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

(CONTINUED FROM SATURDAY)

Orders by Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Recruits' Medical Examination. There will be no medical examination on Friday, Jan. 31.

Holidays. Except for matters of very urgent nature Corps Headquarters will be closed on Monday and Tuesday Jan. 27 and 28 on account of the Chinese New Year Holidays.

Promotion Examination, Recruits. The following members of the Mobile Column passed a Promotion Examination held on Friday, 17.1.41. To Sergeant—Cpl. K. Mitchell. To Corporal—L/Cpl. J. E. Jessop.

Change of Name. Pte. William Ho, Field Ambulance, has changed his name to "William Ho Ross."

Transfers. Spr. Tam Cheong-kee, R.O.D.C. to Mob. Col. 3.1.41; Spr. Woo She-yin, R.O.D.C. to Mob. Col., 3.1.41; Gnr. M. J. Delgado, 4th Bty. to 3rd Bty., 14.1.41.

Leave. Pte. N. G. Ferreira, No. 5 Coy., 11.12.40-10.4.41; Pte. A. V. Jorge, No. 6 Coy., 9.1.41-3.2.41; L/Cpl. G. A. Noronha, No. 6 Coy., 10.1.41-20.2.41; Pte. H. C. Chan, No. 4 Coy., 13.1.41-22.41; Pte. A. V. Gosano, No. 6 Coy., 13.1.41-12.3.41; Pte. V. A. A. Ribeiro, No. 6 Coy., 15.1.41-4.2.41; Pte. Lai Chor-chol, No. 7 Coy., 17.1.41-31.1.41; Pte. C. G. M. Morrison, No. 1 Coy., 18.1.41-31.1.41; Lt. W. H. Owen, Corps Art. H.Q., 20.1.41-9.2.41; Sgt. W. M. Thomson, Pay Sec., 20.1.41-11.5.41; L/Cpl. C. L. Farmer, Mob. Col., 20.1.41-11.5.41; Sigma W. J. Richards, Corps Sigs., 21.1.41-23.1.41; Pte. C. Spradbery, A.S.C. Coy., 21.1.41-31.3.41; Pte. W. G. Robertson, No. 2 Coy., 24.1.41-28.2.41; Spr. A. I. Napoli, P.D. Coy. Engrs., 24.1.41-20.2.41; Pte. J. V. da Luz, P.D. Amb., 25.1.41-28.1.41; C.Q.M.S. S. E. Edgar, No. 1 Coy., 25.1.41-16.2.41; A/Sgt. G. A. R. Wright-Nooth, No. 4 Coy., 1.2.41-14.2.41; Major J. Durran, Res. of Offrs., 1.4.31-31.3.41; Capt. R. K. Valentine, Mob. Col. 18.4.41-7.8.41.

Strength-Increase. Gnr. B. T. Flanagan, 2nd Bty., 24.10.40; Spr. Ma Chun, R.O.D. Cadre, 23.1.41; Gnr. N. P. Fox, 2nd Bty., 31.12.40; Gnr. Chiu Chun-yan, 3rd Bty., 9.1.41; Pte. W. E. Gutierrez, 6 Coy., 10.1.41; Cpl. E. L. Rissin, P.D. Amb., 13.1.41; Pte. J. J. Barreira, No. 6 Coy., 15.1.41; Pte. J. L. Mount, No. 1 Coy., 16.1.41; Spr. Chan Shing, R.O.D. Cadre, 17.1.41; Pte. G. H. Sullivan, No. 3 Coy., 20.1.41.

Strength-Increase. Pte. S. W. Hall, Training Cadre, 14.6.40; Spr. C. Affonsy, No. 3 Coy., 23.1.41; Gnr. Lam Tak-lim, 4th Bty., 6.1.41.

Appointments and Promotions. A/Sgt. J. Wolfe, A.S.C. Coy., to be L/Cpl. 24.1.41; Bdr. H. Y. H. Tang, 4th Bty., to be L/Cpl. 24.1.41; Bdr. M. Y. Yeung, 4th Bty., to be L/Cpl. 24.1.41.

WRECKED PLANE LOCATED

The report that another Hong Kong-bound aeroplane of the China National Aviation Corporation had crashed and burst into flames during an attempted forced landing between Kwelyang and Kwelin last Thursday night has been confirmed.

The wreck of the plane has been located on the side of a mountain on Monday by "scouting" machines sent out to find it.

The fate of the six persons on board, who include a Chinese crew of four and two passengers reported to be Government banking officials, is yet unknown. Details of the crash are also not available.

Meanwhile, rescue parties have been despatched from Hong Kong by the Corporation to the spot with food and medical supplies.

The Kwangsi Provincial Government is planning to establish a land bureau within the current year.

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H.K.-CHUNGKING CONFERENCES

Chinese Objection To Immigration Ban

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Immediately after his arrival here on Sunday by air from Hong Kong, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong, went into a series of conferences with officials of the Chinese Foreign Office and the Ministry of Communications concerning problems existing between China and Hong Kong.

It is understood that the Chinese authorities are objecting to the new Hongkong Immigration Regulations, not so much against the measure itself as certain details of the regulations.

FEE TOO HIGH

Chinese circles state that the fee levied is too high and the procedure too complicated, resulting in severe hardships on Chinese residents in Hong Kong.

The Chinese Foreign Office authorities, it is understood, are proposing a change in the regulations reducing to a minimum the hardships Chinese are alleged to be suffering under the new regulations.

NORTHUMBERLAND SOC. DINNER

At a committee meeting of the Northumberland and Durham Society held yesterday evening it was decided that the annual dinner of the Society be held again this year.

Feb. 28 was set as a tentative date, and the dinner will probably be held at the Hongkong Hotel.

It is intended to arrange a programme of entertainment in conjunction with the dinner and a number of local artists will be invited to take part.

Further details of arrangements for the function will be circulated to all members within the next few days.

Celebrating the Chinese New Year, the Hongkong Chinese Overseas Ambulance Association held a party in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on Monday evening. The gathering was well attended.

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PROBATE JURISDICTION.

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MILLER KOCH of Buck-
land Lodge Lansdown Bath
in the County of Somerset,
deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Court has by
virtue of Section 58 of the Pro-
bates Ordinance 1897, made an
Order limiting the time for
creditors and others to send in
their claims against the above
estate to the 16th day of Feb-
ruary, 1941.

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SUNDRA BOSE
MISSING

Indian Police are still looking
for Mr. Sundra Bose, the well-
known Indian politician, who has
disappeared from his home in
Calcutta, states a message from
Delhi.

The members of his family
thought that Mr. Bose had gone to
Pondicherry but enquiries made
there showed that he did not ar-
rive in the French port.

On Jan. 16, Mr. Bose met a
number of friends and discussed
important matters with them
until the early hours of the
morning.

He told his visitors before they
left, "This is the last time you
will see me," but refused to explain
his remark. (Special).

Must Be No
Gaps In
Our Defence

"There must be no gaps in our
defence if fires are to be fought,"
said the Joint Parliamentary Se-
cretary, Mr. W. M. Mabee, in Lon-
don yesterday, when he spoke of
the recent fire raids on towns and
cities in Britain.

The speaker said how the system
of having fire-watchers had now
given place to an army of fire-
fighters. The fires which were
started by this concentrated fire
attack on cities had to be
strangled at birth before they
turned into a conflagration.

To achieve this the Government
had taken compulsory powers
which required every citizen be-
tween the ages of 16 and 60 to do
their part in these raids. This was
a unique step in Britain's history.
(Special).

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Reuter)
—The details of documents of the
recent negotiations in Chungking
between the Burmese Government
mission and the Chinese Govern-
ment authorities are expected to be
released tonight simultaneously in
Chungking and Rangoon.

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"FOR THE SAKE OF
HUMANITY"

THE JAPANESE Foreign
Minister's latest effusion
against the attitude of the
United States and his "de-
mand" that America should
recognise Japan as the mas-
ter of the Western Pacific
and East Asia repeats: if it
does nothing else, Japan's
stand-point that everything
that she has so far done in
East Asia is right. It is when
Mr. Matsuoka went on to de-
clare that Japan has been
acting thus "for the sake of
humanity" that his argu-
ments descend from the ab-
surd to the ridiculous. This
absurdity is all the more
emphasised in view of the dis-
tinct Nazi flavour which the
Foreign Minister put into his
words—in Europe, the Nazis
are, of course, according to
Herr Hitler's jargon, trying
to save the humanity of the
west and in the East Japan
has assumed the same hypo-
critical role to cloak her real
intentions at domination in
the Orient. As a fanatical
ambition, the Japanese For-
eign Minister's outburst might
well have been manufactured
in Berlin—no doubt the Nazi
thumb-screw on Japan has
been given another twist—
but as a logical exposition as
to why the United States
should recognise this over-
lordship in East Asia it has
proved an utter failure.

THE SO-CALLED warning
note in Mr. Matsuoka's
speech, however, was not the
most significant part of it.
The Foreign Minister was
thinking far more deeply
than his words implied and,
though he tried hard to
imitate his Nazi tutor, he
could not disguise a nervous-
ness at his words being taken
too literally. For some time
past, feelers have been put
out to the people of the Uni-
ted States in an effort to get
them to adopt at least a more
conciliatory attitude towards
Japan's policy. Recently, the
Japan Times and Advertiser
made a particularly signifi-
cant statement when it de-
clared that every American
in the Far East knew that a
war between the United
States and Japan would not
be of any advantage to either
country. This statement was
followed by an appeal for a
"more practical attitude"
from the United States. It
would be quite fair to say
that the American people and
their Government are quite
prepared to adopt a practical
attitude if Japan would take
steps to principle her own
policy—a policy, which, at
present, is hardly in keeping
with any accepted form of
humane standards, when
Nippon's wholesale violation
of treaties and aggressive
acts of conquest are taken
into consideration.

HAVING FAILED to show
America and the rest of the
world, which have supported
the Chinese against Japanese
aggression and which have
banded themselves to re-
sist claims to domination
wherever they have been
made, Mr. Matsuoka now
strives to infuse a further
refuge into his words by
refusing to go "courting"
American appeasement! He

Italian Empire Being
Torn To Shreds:
Gen. Wavell's Strategy

"The Italian Empire, in Mr. Churchill's words, is be-
ing torn to shreds," said MR. GEORGE SLOCOMBE, the
well-known journalist and commentator, when he broad-
cast from London yesterday.

Mr. Slocombe said that the
Italians were being hard
pressed on all fronts. The
assault on Derna was devel-
oping satisfactorily, accord-
ing to a Cairo communique, in
Eritrea the British had ad-
vanced 100 miles and were
closing in on Agordat and
Barentu, while in Abyssinia
operations were going for-
ward in the Metema area.

HARDY WARRIORS

"In Abyssinia," said Mr. Slo-
combe, "we must rely not only
on an attack from the frontier, but
from inside the country and
spreading out to its borders. It is,
therefore, heartening to hear the
news of the successes which the
hardy Abyssinian warriors are
scoring."

"These forward actions in
Libya, Eritrea, Abyssinia and
Kenya are all part of a single
strategic plan and the soldier
who conceived it and put it
into operation is General
Wavell. Masterly timing was
Gen. Wavell's achievement."

Mr. Slocombe referred to the re-
ports of Marshal Graziani's dis-
missal and declared that if it was
true, it meant that it was owing
to his singular lack of success in
his campaign against Egypt.
Mr. Slocombe also mentioned
the unconfirmed report regarding

thereby indicated how anx-
iously he would prefer to go
"courting" the United States
if he was certain that his
efforts would be successful.
Unfortunately for Mr. Mat-
suoka and for the Japanese
people, neither the Americans
at home nor those in the
Far East are today willing to
fall in with Japan's ideas of
what a "practical attitude"
from them should be. The
Americans as a whole may
not want war with Japan, but
they are only ready to avoid
it on the principles which the
United States will recognise
and that is, a respect for the
treaty rights, sovereignty and
independence of other nations
which Japan has been so
foolhardy as to threaten.
There will be no appeasement
in this form of recognition
and it would be injudicious
for Japan to confuse such a
wish on the part of America
with any idea of appeasing
the Japanese and thereby
condoning what they have
done in the East.

MR. MATSUOKA, having
delivered what he believed
was a warning thrust at the
United States, went on to in-
form the United States that
it was a mistake to think
that Japan's internal position
was in any way disquieting.
The world, however, is aware
of the real facts of this
situation and they also know
that as long as Japan is un-
able to bring her campaign
in China to a successful con-
clusion her economic position
will continue to worsen. It is
in this respect that the
Tripartite Pact which Japan
has joined will serve her very
little. While Germany ex-
pects the Japanese to justify
the doubtful honour which
has been conferred on them,
even to the extent of provok-
ing a war with America to
afford him a breather from
the odds which are piling up
against him in the west,
there is nothing that the
Nazis can do to help Japan
economically and this will be
her greatest weakness if she
becomes involved in hostil-
ities with America. These are
points which Mr. Matsuoka
could not have forgotten even
while he was uttering his
warning to the United States.

Count Ciano's taking charge of an
air squadron. He said that Count
Ciano was an experienced pilot,
but he was also the Italian For-
eign Minister and it would be very
strange to make him take over
active service with the air force.

ITALIAN TRAGEDY

Turning to the reports of Ger-
man troop movements into Italy,
Mr. Slocombe said that they could
not read this news without feel-
ing that the fate of Italy was one
of the tragedies of European his-
tory.

"He recalled Garibaldi's curse on
any Italian who would fall to go
to the aid of Britain if ever Bri-
tain needed it and stated that
Italy's present position was due
to one man and one alone. It was
that one man who was respon-
sible for making Italy turn away
from friendship with Britain.

Mr. Slocombe referred to events
at home and stated that the lull
in the German air attacks over
Britain still continued. He de-
clared that British defences
against bombers had gained
immensely, though it would be
foolish to think that they had
been able to drive away the
raiders entirely from the sky.

BRITAIN READY

While uttering a warning note,
that these air attacks were likely
to be intensified, Mr. Slocombe
said: "It is still true that Herr
Hitler cannot win the war with-
out the conquest of this island."

"Meantime, the readiness of
this country to withstand
assault has never been more
complete and we are hearten-
ed by the news which
keeps coming in from America
in the steps being taken there
to help us.

NO GERMAN AIR
ACTIVITY

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—
There was no German air activity
over Britain last night and no
R.A.F. raid over German territory
owing to bad weather.

London had its eighth night free
from alert.

Early this morning an enemy
bomber was shot down in Lincoln-
shire.

FOUR ALERTS

London had four alerts yester-
day. Bombs were dropped in a
residential area and one person
was killed, states a London mes-
sage. In another London district
bombs were dropped but no
damage was done. The raiders
came over high above the fog.
(Special)

JUNKERS DOWNED

In addition to the plane shot
down off the East coast on Sat-
urday, a Messerschmitt 110 and
Junkers 88 were also destroyed by
H. M. S. Wallace and two drifters.

GOOD SHOOTING

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—
Good shooting by British trawlers
is described in an Admiralty com-
munique yesterday.

On Saturday, the trawlers
Strathey, Annock, Galvani and
Philippe hit back at a raiding
plane which was repeatedly dam-
aged and set afire, jettisoned its
bombs and disappeared eastwards.
On Sunday, enemy aircraft
attacked shipping on the east
coast.

SENATORS' REQUEST
TO ROOSEVELT

It is reported that certain sena-
tors in the United States intend to
ask President Roosevelt to find out
the war aims of the belligerent
countries, states a radio message
from Saigon.

From Washington it was stated
yesterday that the United States
army had asked for 18,000 pilots
for parachute formations. (Spe-
cial)

A small fire, which originated
from a lighted cigarette butt bro-
ke out in the front verandah of No.
8, North Street, Kennedy Town, in
the early hours of Monday morn-
ing.



GEN. SIKORSKI

CZECH
DECORATION
FOR POLISH
C-IN-C.RECENT CEREMONY
IN ENGLAND

An interesting ceremony took
place in the heart of England on
Sunday when Dr. E. Benes, former
President of Czechoslovakia, pre-
sented General Sikorski, Com-
mander-in-Chief of the Polish
forces in Britain, with the bronze
medal of Czechoslovakia for his
services in organising the resistance
of the defeated European countries
to the Axis Powers.

PARADE OF TROOPS

The meeting between the two
patriotic leaders attracted a great
deal of attention and the Czech
troops in Britain paraded for the
occasion.

In making the presentation, Dr.
Benes spoke of the great work
General Sikorski had done in En-
gland as head of the Polish army
and then pinned the medal on the
General's breast. General Sikorski
then watched the march past of
the Czech troops, after which the
two leaders lunched together.

Later, Dr. Benes broadcast a
short message of the confidence of
Poland and Czechoslovakia in the
success for the arms of Britain and
her allies which would result as a
result of the defeat of the dicta-
torships of Europe. (Special)

U.S. MINISTER
-TO BRITAIN

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (Reuter)—
Mr. Samuel Clay Williams, former
Chairman of the National Indus-
trial Recovery Board, is expected
to be appointed the first United
States Minister to Britain, ac-
cording to reports quoted by the
Washington correspondent of the
NEW YORK TIMES.

It is stated that an announce-
ment of his appointment will be
made in a few days time together
with that of Mr. J. G. Winant as
Ambassador.

MATSUOKA
STATEMENT

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The position here appears to be
that the facts in Asia are an
answer to Mr. Matsuoka without a
word being spoken from this side,
for whatever Mr. Matsuoka may
tell the Diet, there remains his-
torically the fact that the seizure
of Manchuria was the first act of
aggression in the last tragic de-
cade and what have been happen-
ing in China for three-and-a-half
years belies his statement that
Japan is not interested in con-
quest, aggression or exploitation.

The feeling here seems to be
that these three words were select-
ed by Mr. Matsuoka himself as all
the words necessary to sum-up
Japanese policy in Asia since 1931.

As the WASHINGTON STAR
says, in commenting on Admiral
Nomura, the new Japanese Am-
bassador's departure for the Uni-
ted States, it is "deeds not words
that are needed to convince us
Japan is anxious for our good-
will."

MAIN PEACE AIM

Lord Halifax, the British Am-
bassador in Washington, in a
statement yesterday said that
there was no plan for secret ter-
ritorial distribution after the war.
"Our main peace aim is to help in
the re-construction of a new
world so that there will be no
war," he said. (Special)

JAPAN FACES GRAVEST
HOUR IN HER HISTORY:
CHINA'S RESISTANCE

Declaring that Japan was now facing the gravest hour
in her history, while China's strength to resist had been
considerably increased, MR. O. M. GREEN, former editor
of the NORTH CHINA DAILY NEWS, broadcast from
London yesterday on the situation in the Far East.

Mr. Green said that Great
Britain, the United States and
Russia were behind China in
her war of resistance and this
besides supplying China with
her material needs for the
war had also had a great
effect on the morale of the
people.

STEADY DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Green spoke of the steady
developments which had taken
place in the west, north-west and
south-west regions of China,
where the country had great re-
sources of natural wealth.

New factories had arisen
in this part of the coun-
try and the Chinese Gov-
ernment, in spite of the war,
had done much to assist them.

This part of China was rich in
tungsten, manganese and the ex-
tremely valuable wood-oil for
which there was such a demand
in America.

RECENT FRICTION

Referring to the friction be-
tween the Communists and the
Kuomintang party, Mr. Green de-
clared that this friction was not
new and the fact that the Chinese
Government had published the
full story suggested that the Chi-
nese were not afraid of criticism
and that the incident was not
really serious.

"Whatever disagreements
might still exist, there is noth-
ing to interfere with the fight
of resistance against the Jap-
anese," said Mr. Green.

JAPAN'S POSITION

Mr. Green next discussed the
situation in Japan. He declared that
the Japanese army was still better
equipped than the Chinese and
that they held a marked superiority
in the air and although the Jap-
anese people were suffering great
privations, there were no limits to
their endurance.

There were however, certain visi-
ble factors which showed how cri-
tical Japan's position had become
in recent times.

Her budget had risen to 11,000
million yen this year and her na-
tional debt was over 27,000 million
yen, with the likelihood of an in-
crease this year. Taxation had
reached the maximum limit and
Japanese experts had shown a de-
crease, although figures for her
trading with China and Manch-
ukuo had been considered satisfac-
tory. Yet the currency confusion
had had an adverse effect even on
this part of her trade.

UNCERTAIN FACTOR

"Perhaps, the most interesting
and uncertain factor in Japan is
the so-called new political struc-
ture introduced by Prince Konoye.

Havas Agency
Ceases To
Exist

The HAVAS NEWS AGENCY has
ceased to exist, according to a
message from London yesterday.
The Agency was one of the
many French interests which are
stated to have been affected by a
new decree which places them
under the control of the State.

The Havas Agency had won for
itself one of the highest names
in international journalism and
has now been taken over by the
State.

Once the name of Havas figured
in the columns of every French
newspaper and took a more im-
portant part in politics behind
the scenes than the public realised.

STARTED IN 1840

The agency was started in 1840
by a Frenchman of Portuguese
origin, when he used carrier
pigeons to keep London papers
supplied with news from Paris.

In a few years the Agency
spread its activities all over
Europe and the United States and
an important advertising business
was run as a side-line.

For many years, Havas had been
a semi-official agency and what
came from Havas was regarded as
coming from the horse's mouth.
And now the Havas Agency is no
more. (Special)

NEW TITLE

According to the Saigon radio,
which quoted a message from
Vichy, the Havas Agency will no
longer function as a private
enterprise. It now becomes the
official Press Agency under the
style of "The French Information
Bureau." (Special)

the Prime Minister," declared Mr.
Green. "It is the outcome of the
long struggle between the army
and the Diet and had abolished
the constitution of 1889.
"How long will the Japanese
endure this uncertain economic
situation?" asked Mr. Green, and
went on to declare that to make
matters worse for the Japanese
people the country was now com-
mitted to an alliance with Ger-
many and Italy and there was the
possibility of the country being
dragged into a war with the United
States. A British victory for
Japan, under these circumstances,
would mean that she would be
finally driven out of China."

NEW SETTES

The name of The Fang On In-
vestment Co., Ltd., has been struck
off the register.

Mr. Seiki Yabu, Consul-General
for Japan at Hongkong, resumed
charge of the Consulate-General
for Japan on Jan. 23.

Mr. W. M. Smith has been ap-
pointed to act as Deputy Chief
Officer, Fire Brigade, with effect
from Jan. 1 and until further
notice.

Mr. M. A. Johnson, O.B.E., M.M.,
has been appointed to be Assistant
Superintendent of the Police Re-
serve, with effect from Jan. 14.

There was a very large atten-
dance of mourners at Bubbling
Well Cemetery, Shanghai, on Jan.
17, when the remains of the late
Mr. Michael Keane of the Chinese
Maritime Customs were laid to
rest. The chief mourner was the
widow, Mrs. Annie Keane who was
accompanied by Mrs. C. H. Davis,
Mrs. White and Mrs. Jones.

In the presence of relatives and
a host of friends, the funeral for
the late Miss Annie Finkelstein,
daughter of Mrs. Dora Finkelstein
and the late Harry Finkelstein,
was held on Jan. 17 afternoon at
the Balkal Road Jewish Cemetery,
Shanghai, with Rev. M. Brown
officiating.

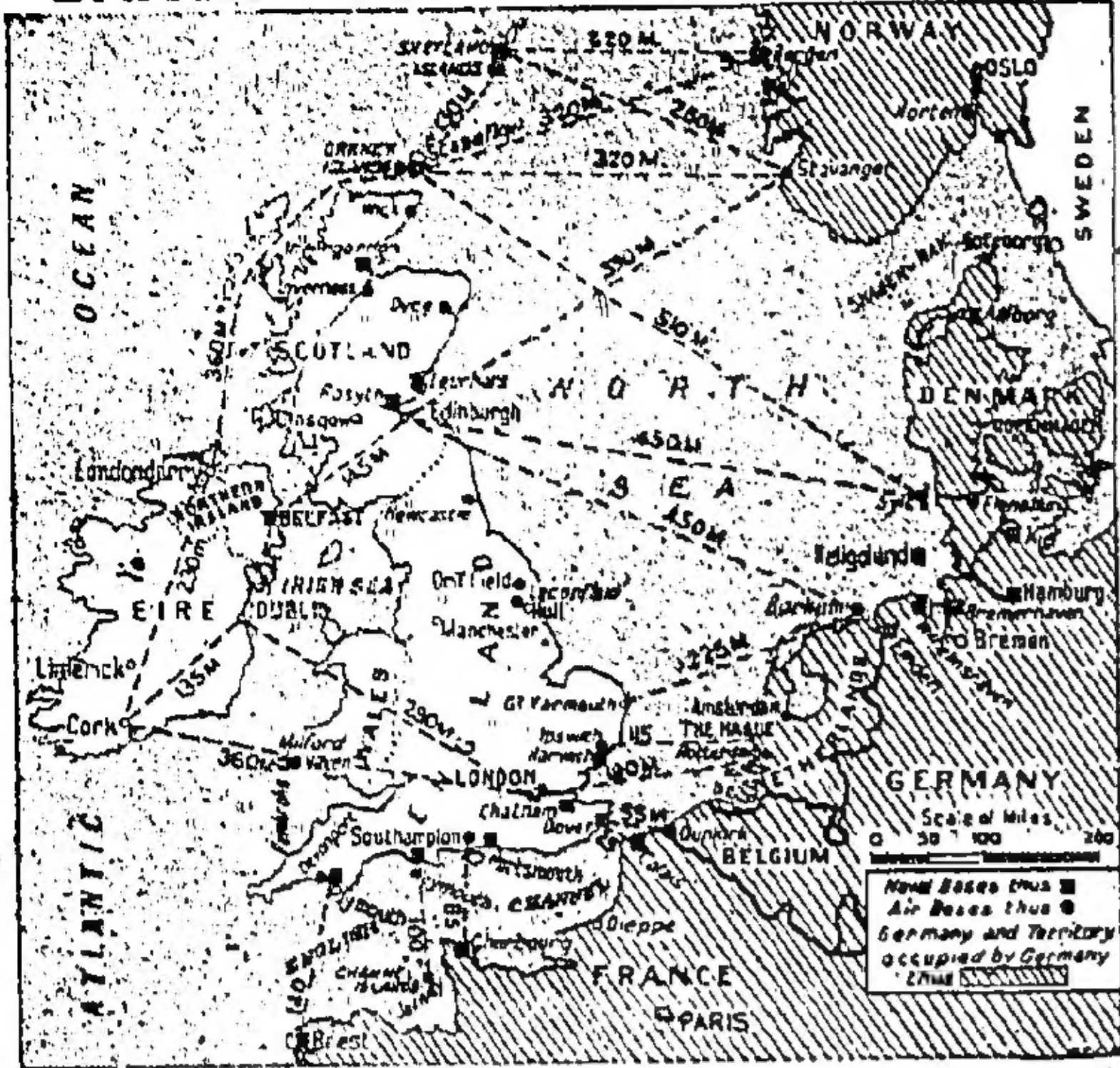
Mr. L. J. Davies has been ap-
pointed to be Assistant Superin-
tendent of Police (Reserve) with
effect from Jan. 21.

Mr. D. P. Legge has been ap-
pointed to be Acting Sub-Lieuten-
ant in the Hongkong Naval Volun-
teer Force, with effect from Jan.
5.

The wedding took place on
Jan. 18, at the Holy Trinity
Cathedral, Shanghai, of Mr. George
Frederick Clifton McLorn, only
son of the late Mr. G. M. McLorn
and Mrs. F. McLorn, of Shanghai,
and Miss Jean Gold Todd youngest
daughter of the late Mr. W. G.
Todd and Mrs. T. Sands, also of
Shanghai. Dean A. C. S. Trivett,
officiating.

The wedding took place on Jan.
18 at the Community Church,
Shanghai, of the Rev. John Walker
Vinson, Jun., and Miss Mary
Luck Boone, the Rev. H. Maxey
Smith, officiating, assisted by the
Rev. Z. H. Tong, Mr. Vinson, son
of the late Rev. and Mrs. J. W.
Vinson, of the North Kiangsu
Mission of the Southern Presby-
terian Mission, is a member of the
same mission and of the faculty
of Hangchow University, the bride
being the daughter of the Rev.
and Mrs. Wilmot D. Boone, of
Shanghai.

BRITISH AND GERMAN BASES.



Efforts To Make Naval Aircraft Efficient Striking Force

LONDON, Jan. 28 (British Wireless).—THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY HAD ALWAYS PUT FAITH IN THE TORPEDO AS A PRIMARY WEAPON OF NAVAL AIRCRAFT, said a naval officer yesterday morning, explaining the efforts over a long period of years to make naval aircraft a highly efficient striking force.

The torpedo attacks a ship in the most vulnerable part—below water and can effect considerably more vital damage than a bomb.

This policy was fully justified by the great victory at Taranto, which exceeded even the most sanguine British expectations. In many other instances aircraft with torpedo attack has proved its worth.

The naval officer gave an instance of the phenomenal success of the attack by three naval aircraft on Italian ships in a certain roadstead, when three torpedoes were fired and four enemy warships were destroyed. One submarine was sunk, then another submarine and a destroyer were sunk and the depot ship lying between the latter vessels was destroyed by the explosions on either side. This attack took place in broad daylight and there were no British casualties. The success of the Taranto attack must be mainly attributed to the perfecting technique over the two decades.

OVER DARK SEA
Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm had to be ranged up on deck in darkness to take off and form a formation without lights and fly a long distance over the dark sea. It is essential that each squadron arrive at the right place at the right time as any delay would spoil an element of surprise and so high navigational skill is entailed.

Dive-bombing is used by naval aircraft when torpedo work is impossible and here again a long period of training was needed to develop this technique. The main reason for the naval use of dive-bombing is that the expectation of hits is greater than from high altitude bombing.

Fourth Army Incident Will Have No Repercussions

The New Fourth Army incident will cause no unfavourable repercussions, declared Mr. Chow Chi-kang, Vice-Minister of Overseas Affairs, in an interview with the CENTRAL NEWS on the disbandment of the Army recently. Mr. Chow arrived here last Friday from Chungking on a visit.

In a unified and organised country, Mr. Chow said, the incident should occasion no surprise, for it is generally recognised that there must be unity of command in a country, without which it is impossible to resist foreign aggression.

Mr. Chow pointed out that the incident was due entirely to the disobedience of the army to orders from the Central Military Authorities. In the past the activities of the Army had been frequently prejudicial to the campaign of resistance. The Central Authorities had exercised considerable forbearance, but they could not tolerate further and had to take stern disciplinary measures to deal with it.

In the present united anti-Japanese front, Mr. Chow further stated, there could be no question of any partisan politics in the disciplinary action.

100 ARRESTED IN MILAN

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The Columbia Broadcasting Corporation Bern correspondent quotes Balkan reports that 100 people were arrested in Milan after recent demonstrations and states anti-Fascist leaflets were distributed in Milan on Saturday.

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The Chinese Government has invested a total of \$343,000,000 in kinds of industries in the interior provinces while additionally the sum of U.S.\$879,000,000 has been invested in certain industries by both the Chinese Government and American interests, according to the spokesman of the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

WILLKIE GIVEN SOUVENIR

Mr. Wendell Willkie heard his first air raid alarm yesterday when he was on his way to see Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, states a London message. Mr. Willkie also viewed raid damage and was given the burnt out remains of an incendiary bomb as his first souvenir of the war.—(Special)

BOOTHBY ONE OF MOST SUCCESSFUL OF THE YOUNGER MINISTERS

Referring to the resignation of MR. ROBERT BOOTHBY, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, following the finding of a Select Committee in connexion with financial matters, MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., stated in a broadcast in London yesterday, that Mr. Boothby was one of the most successful of the younger Ministers and was a personal friend of the Prime Minister.

Pattern Of New World After War

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—A pattern of a new world after the war was given by MR. HAROLD NICOLSON, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, speaking in London, "during a lull before the great battle."

The new order will be based on the liberation not the enslavement of Europe, he said, and must have the will to defend its own community and unselfishness to combine with similarly-minded countries to make defence effective.

There will be no slave states, but the community of free peoples each working out its problems in accordance to its temperament and traditions. It will be the union of peoples, each ready to sacrifice something of political and economic independence.

BELEAGUERED BUCHAREST

Disturbances still continue in Rumania and Bucharest is a beleaguered city and men are behind machine-gun posts, states a London message.

General Antonescu, the Prime Minister, signed a decree yesterday bringing 52 industries under military control.

The new Rumanian Government is composed almost entirely of Generals.—(Special)

Two Italian Ministers Sent To Front

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news from Italy regarding the reported dismissal of Marshal Graziani.

Signor Mussolini did no good when he invited his senior partner to walk in, said the speaker, and went on to declare that the reports that six posters bearing the words "Down With Germany," "Stand Fast—Badoglio Will Deliver You" spoke of coming developments.—(Special)

FIGHT LIKE LION

Emperor Haile Selassie will fight like a lion and avenge his nation now that he is coming into his own, stated a commentator in London yesterday.

Describing the methods adopted by the Abyssinians against the Italians, the speaker commented on the way the tribesmen were fighting a silent, but intensive war against their oppressors. They move from rock to rock and then with a sudden swift rush another Italian outpost disappears.—(Special)

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR FOR INDIA

The Secretary for War, Capt. H. D. Margesson, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that a considerable number of Italian prisoners of war were being sent to India. It was also proposed to bring some Italian prisoners to England for agricultural work.—(Special)

MORE OF HINDRANCE

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—While it is possible that British farmers would welcome having available Italian prisoners of war for land work, the view taken in authoritative circles in London is that they would conceivably be more of a hindrance than an advantage.

It is not thought likely that any will be sent. It is pointed out that German prisoners in Britain have been and are being evacuated overseas and it is, therefore, hardly likely that the Italians will be imported and there are many obvious inconveniences that would result from their presence.

RAMSHACKLE EMPIRE

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The DAILY TELEGRAPH, in summing

160 THOUSAND NAZI TROOPS IN RUMANIA

According to a report from Ankara, quoted in an Australian message, there are now 160,000 German troops in Rumania and the Turks expect the Germans to make a descent on Salonika in order to strike Greece from the rear.—(Special)

MADRID, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—A local newspaper quoting from a German newspaper mentions the opening of direct rail communication between Spain and Germany, via unoccupied France, instead of via Switzerland.

Five British, Six Allied Ships Sunk

LONDON, Jan. 28 (BWS).—Merchant losses due enemy action for the week ended Jan. 19-20 are announced to be 11, with a total tonnage of 58,212 tons comprising FIVE BRITISH of a total of 34,772 tons and SIX ALLIED of 23,440 tons.

This figure is higher than it has been in recent weeks.

It has been noted that the practice of announcing the total German claims week by week alongside the losses actually sustained, has led to progressive reduction in claims made by the German High Command.

During the week under review, the German High Command has claimed a total of 41,800 tons of shipping sunk.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING AT WHITE HOUSE



MR. ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt summoned an extraordinary meeting in the White House last night to discuss modifications to the Lease or Lend Bill.



MR. CORDELL HULL

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, and both the Republican and Democrat leaders were requested by the President to attend.

SECRET SESSION

According to an Australian message, this referred to a secret session of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives. The message also added



MR. MORGENTHAU

that the Speaker of the House, Mr. Raeburn, stated yesterday that he expected the House to overwhelmingly approve of the aid for Britain bill.—(Special)

BASLE, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Calling of a conference of German Catholic bishops next month has occasioned surprise, according to the Berlin correspondent of the NATIONAL ZEITUNG. Hitherto, the episcopal conference was held annually.

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The WING ON G.L.D.

British Concentrations In Derna Continue

The latest communique from General Wavell's headquarters states:—

LIBYA—Concentrations of British forces in Derna are continuing.

ERITREA—Operations are continuing satisfactorily and mobile troops are pressing back the Italian forces. Over 1,200 prisoners have been taken up to date.

ITALIAN SOMALILAND—Our troops are again active.

Significance of the operations in Kenya lies in the fact that only a few days ago Italians were in Kenya and now they had been driven out and the battle is being continued in enemy country.

In East Africa the advance on Agordat is considered to be of great importance.—(Special)

FROM INDIAN ARMY

LONDON, Jan. 28 (BWS).—On the Eritrea front the bulk of the British troops taking part are drawn from the Indian Army.

The forces are under the command of Major-General W. Platt, who has been commanding the troops in the Sudan since the end of 1933.

CHINA-INDIA AIRLINE NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiations for the operation of an airline between China and India are being conducted between the Chinese and British authorities, and as soon as they are completed the new air service will be started, Mr. W. L. Bond, Vice-President of the China National Aviation Corporation, told the CENTRAL NEWS in an interview.

Mr. Bond returned to Hongkong early Sunday morning from a survey trip to India, where he stopped at Delhi and Calcutta. He found the trip a smooth one. The atmospheric conditions were favourable and there were few technical problems to tackle with.

AN EXTENSION

The projected line, according to Mr. Bond, is merely an extension of the existing Hongkong-Chungking-Lashio route to Calcutta. It will take about 13 hours to cover the whole distance from Hongkong to the Indian port. The line will be operated on a weekly basis and the fare will be about the same as that from Hongkong to Rangoon via Chungking.

Regarding the reported crash of a C.N.A.C. plane last Thursday, Mr. Bond said that he had no information, but two members of the C.N.A.C. local office had been sent to make an investigation.

WHOLESALE ARRESTS IN ITALY

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—While actual disturbances are at present finished in Northern Italy, wholesale arrests have taken place there, according to Balkan diplomatic officials quoted by the Bern correspondent of the COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM.

The arrests, which have taken place for at least a week, were carried out by the Italian Police, Italian Secret Police and finally by the Gestapo.

Many arrests were made between Tuesday and Friday last week on the appearance each morning of stickers of posters of Mussolini bearing the words "Why don't you commit suicide," it is declared.

The distribution of subversive leaflets and activities of soap box orators attracted police attention.

BARRACKS FIGHT

In Trieste, a fight between Blackshirt privates and officers is reported to have occurred in the barracks. Men and women in headline demonstrations in Trieste were arrested as defeatists.

Another report says that for the past two days deserters have been crossing the Swiss frontier.

ANHWEI CHAIRMAN COMMENDED

In recognition of his meritorious services in connexion with the introduction of administrative reforms and the pacification on Anhwei Province since his assumption of office a year ago, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has addressed a message of commendation to Gen. Li Ping-hsien, Chairman of the Anhwei Provincial Government. The message urged Gen. Li to redouble his efforts in the present year.—(Central News)

LONDON ENJOYS FIRST RAID FREE WEEK

Three Reasons Are Advanced For Inactivity Of Luftwaffe

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Three possible reasons were advanced yesterday for the lull in German air activity over Britain which led to London enjoying its first week without a raid since September, writes Reuter's Air correspondent.

They are, in order of credibility, firstly, bad weather on the Continent; secondly, Germany's two-front air war, and, thirdly, re-equipment and resting.

There can be no great certainty as to the causes but the above reasons commend themselves in well-informed quarters where there is no belief that the present inactivity is in any way mysterious.

The Low Countries and Northern France are drenched in the thaw following the recent sharp frost and snowfall.

Many of the German advanced bases are probably flooded and others temporarily unserviceable.

The weather generally on the other side of the English Channel in the past week has been most unfavourable for flying since the great freeze earlier last year. Seventy-five per cent. of German inactivity may be attributed to this factor.

OPERATIONS RESTRICTED

R.A.F. operations have been severely restricted for the same reason. Weather forecasts have been gloomy enough to persuade the Bomber Command that crews would have great difficulty in locating their targets and bombing them accurately.

Weather apart, there is little doubt that the necessary redistribution of forces for her air war on two fronts is having some immediate effect on the striking power of Germany's air force in Western Europe.

How lasting these will be depends on the scale of German commitments in the Mediterranean, and that itself may depend

on how critical becomes Italy's position.

HEINKEL BOMBERS

New squadrons have arrived at Sicilian bases and Heinkel III bombers have appeared in action.

Present indications are that the Luftwaffe will be reserved for attacking the British Fleet and its Mediterranean bases; for action in Albania (where weather limits its use at present) or, it is even possible, for the defence of an Italy shorn of its empire and of the back door to Germany.

Re-equipment of squadrons remaining in Northern France and the Low Countries, in preparation for what will probably be the decisive air clash with Britain, is no doubt being pushed ahead.

This would enable crews temporarily without planes to enjoy a much-needed rest after six months of continuous action.

NEW FIGHTER

One new German fighter—the Heinkel 113—is in service already at the Focke-Wulf and subsidiary factories have been busy for months past turning out new fighters and bombers.

It is certain that the Luftwaffe, refreshed and to a certain extent re-equipped, will take the earliest opportunity to return to full operations over Britain by night and day and will maintain this offensive as much as its commitments elsewhere and R.A.F. retaliation will permit.

WILLKIE TAKES TO BEVIN

Devastated Area Of City Visited

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Referring to his luncheon with the Premier and Mrs. Churchill, Mr. Willkie said Mrs. Churchill was most charming. It was his first meeting with Mr. Churchill and they talked for nearly two hours on the international situation, the war and Anglo-American relations.

Of the hour that he spent with Mr. Bevin, Mr. Willkie said, "He is a grand fellow. We liked each other so much that I made him late for a Cabinet meeting. Our talk was about labour conditions in England and production in England—what is being done and what will be done."

Dealing with his visit to the devastated area of the city, Mr. Willkie described the Guildhall as "a terrible sight with all its historic treasures." Once he spoke bitterly when he recalled the devastation round St. Paul's and the fact that 3,000,000 books were burnt. He said: "I thought that the burning of Paternoster Row where books are published was rather symbolic. They have destroyed the place where truth is told."

Mr. Willkie expressed astonishment at the way that raid damage was being dealt with and said that they (the civilian bodies) "are grand people."

No Formalities For Lord Halifax

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The usual formalities for the presentation of credentials to the President will be omitted in Lord Halifax's case.

Stating this to the press yesterday, President Roosevelt's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said that the White House and State Department presumed that their presentation had taken place when Mr. Roosevelt met Lord Halifax.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Subhas Chandra Bose, the well-known Congress Leftist leader, is missing, nothing having been heard of him since Sunday when he left his bedroom where he had been confined through ill-health since his release from detention on Dec. 5.

AFRICA AVERSE TO NAZI "KULTUR"

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—"The return of Germany to the African continent would mean the end of the independence and security of all African states," declared the Belgian Minister for the Colonies, M. Davidschawer, yesterday.

He arrived here from the Belgian Congo and will leave for the north again on Thursday. During his brief stay he will have talks with General Smuts on questions affecting the mutual interests of South Africa and the Belgian Congo, including trade relations.

COMMERCE RAIDER IN PACIFIC

MANILA, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—A Reuter message received this morning says that a reliable message has been intercepted from the Swedish steamship "Oscar Gorthon" which says that at 1 p.m., on Monday in Lat. 18.7 N. and Long. 148.27 E. the Oscar Gorthon passed a raider with guns. She was painted black and had her prizes with her.

BRITISH TRAWLER DOWNS JUNKERS

LONDON, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—A German Junkers 88 bomber was shot down by the British trawler "Gavani" on Sunday morning.

An Admiralty communique states that when attempting to attack the trawler the plane was so damaged that it crashed soon afterwards on the Norfolk coast. The trawler suffered no damage or casualties.



Some of the pilots of the "Eagle Squadron," all of them Americans, now completing their training in England.



Mr. Herbert Morrison seen with a copy of a poster appealing to workers to "Work at war speed." He is Minister of Home Security.

H.K.C.C. Defeat Kowloon C.C. By Six Wickets

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB beat the KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB by six wickets to win the two-day match at Chater Road yesterday.

Continuing to bat when the game was resumed in the morning, H.K.C.C. lost their three remaining wickets for 21 runs.

The K.C.C. were then dismissed for 148 and H.K.C.C. had 201 on the board for the loss of six wickets when stumps were drawn at 5 p.m.

The scores:

1st Innings: K.C.C. 185 (N. A. E. Mackay 62, E. C. Fincher 78, F. Baker 4 for 35, A. E. Perry 3 for 52), H.K.C.C. 178 (R. H. Griffiths 81 not out, F. R. Zimmermann 5 for 80, N. D. Lloyd 5 for 52).

K.C.C. 2nd Innings

D. J. N. Anderson, lb.w. Baker 5
D. Hung, c. and b. T. A. Pearce 14
E. F. Fincher, b. Baker 0
E. Zimmermann, run out 10
N. A. E. Mackay, c. Griffiths, b. T. A. Pearce 25
A. Zimmermann, c. Grose, b. Knight 1
E. C. Fincher, c. and b. T. A. Pearce 45
P. R. Zimmermann, c. Baker, b. Ride 21
R. E. Lee, c. Owen-Hughes, b. T. A. Pearce 0
R. T. Broadbridge, c. J. L. C. Pearce, b. T. A. Pearce 0
N. D. Lloyd, not out 20
Extras (B6, LB1) 7

Total 148

Bowling Analysis

Baker 10 1 34 2
Perry 4 1 17 0
T. A. Pearce 10 1 54 5
Knight 5 0 31 1
Owen-Hughes 1 0 1 0
J. L. C. Pearce 1 0 3 0
Ride 0 3 0 1

H.K.C.C. 2nd Innings

H. Owen-Hughes, lb.w. Lloyd 44
T. G. C. Knight, hit wkt, b. Anderson 70
T. A. Pearce, c. E. F. Fincher, b. Lloyd 18
A. E. Perry, not out 30
R. H. Griffiths, c. Lloyd, b. F. R. Zimmermann 10
D. C. E. Grose, st. A. Zimmermann, b. F. R. Zimmermann 28
L. T. Ride, c. Anderson, b. E. F. Fincher 1
Extras (B1, LB1) 2

Total (for 6 wks.) 201

J. L. C. Pearce, D. I. Bosanquet, D. O. Parsons and F. Baker did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

F. R. Zimmermann 12 0 77 2
Lloyd 9 0 42 2
Lee 2 0 26 0
Anderson 3 0 29 1
E. F. Fincher 1.7 0 25 1

CRICKET

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would savour very much of suicide. Perhaps, after all, one cannot condemn the University for anything worse than lack of enterprise.

POINTS FOR C.C.C.

In spite of some excellent bowling by Fred Baker who took 6 wickets for 28 runs, the Civil Service came a cropper in their match against Craigengower whose success on Saturday was chiefly due to the batting of George Souza and the bowling of Percy Ismail.

The former scored 36 runs to help Craigengower put on 119 runs on the board which was far from being a safe score. But Percy Ismail got in amongst the Civil Service batsmen who, in consequence, were all out for the paltry score of 63 runs. Only Richardson, Griffiths and Fortescue could cope with the bowling of Ismail who took 5 wickets for 18 runs.

RECREIO ROUTED

In beating Recreio in a Junior League game, the K.C.C. have negotiated a very stiff hurdle. Prior to Saturday last Recreio had won all their three matches, and though they are still at the head of the Second Division League Table, their defeat may cost them dear.

When the Portuguese lads had 70 runs on the board for the loss of only 4 wickets, thanks to M. A. and F. J. Remedios who scored 28 and 20 respectively, Recreio seemed well set for a big total.

At this stage Baldwin and Taylor tightened their belts, and bowled for all they were worth with the result that the rest of the Recreio batsmen collapsed against their withering attack and the whole side were out for a meagre 80.

Thanks to some useful scores by their earlier batsmen, the K. C. C. were able to overhaul their opponents' score for the loss of only 4 wickets. For once in four games P.M.N. da Silva, the star bowler of the Recreio juniors, failed to get going, his only wicket costing him 23 runs.

DRAWN GAME

The game between the University and the Civil Service Seconds at Pokfulam was left drawn. Batting first the Civil Servants declared at 149 runs for 4 wickets. G. Stone collected 78 and J. Barrow 38.

Kenneth Lo who batted right through the Varsity innings and was undefeated with 53 runs was responsible for making this a drawn game. At the time of drawing stumps, University had 98 for 4 wickets.

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 77 and the minimum 64.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 3.78 inches against an average of 0.89.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

A weak anticyclone covers the Pacific to the south of Japan, another is developing over Mongolia and Manchuria. Pressure is relatively low over Tongking and Thailand.

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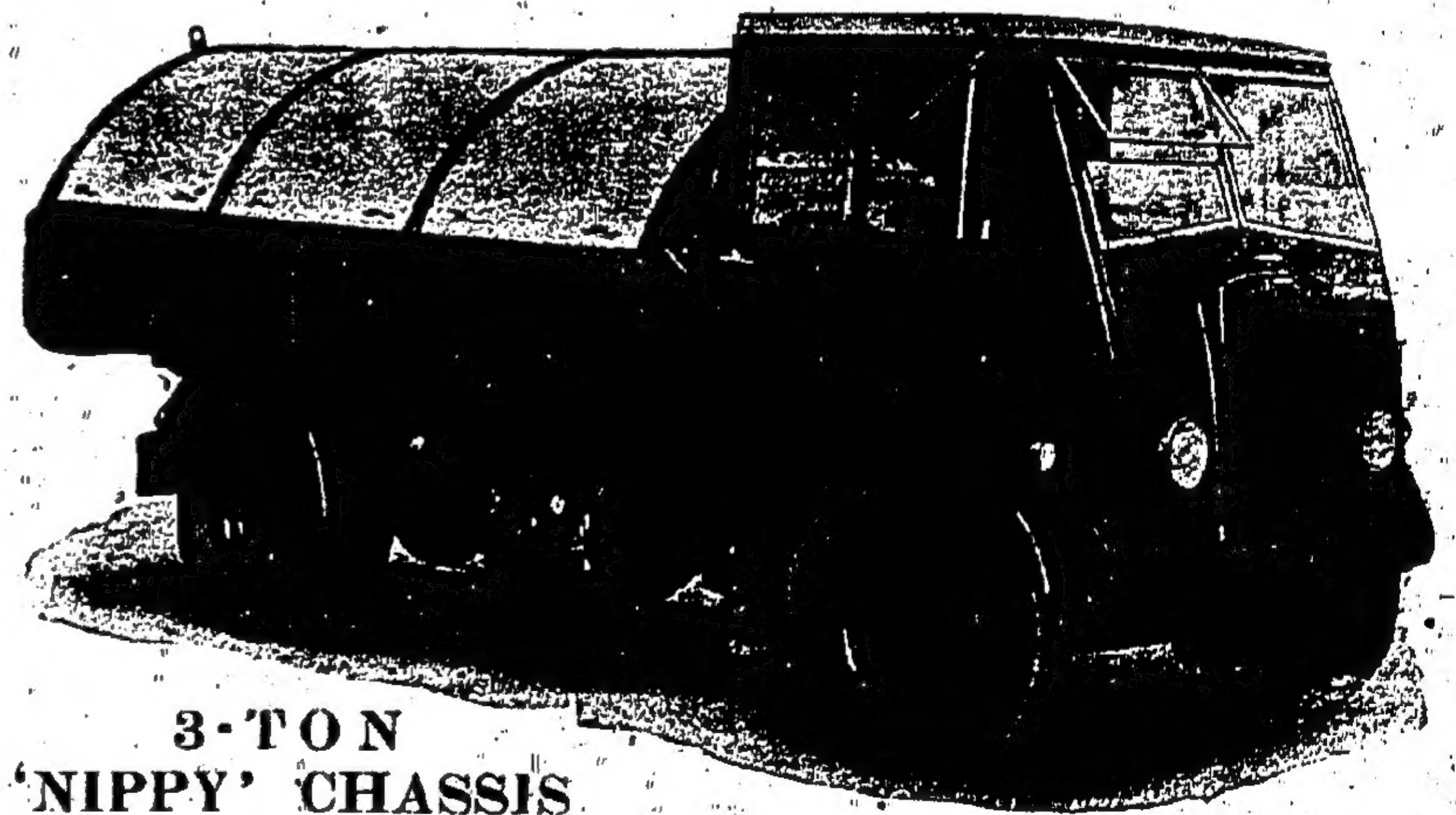
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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

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London, Jan. 27.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3½% (Red, after 1952)	103-5/16
Defence Loan, 3%	101-1/4
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	13
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	44
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/47	42 to 47
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	26
Chinese 5% Reg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	34
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	47
Honan Rly. 5%	16
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	15
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	13
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	14
S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	18
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	15
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	15
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	15
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	15
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	23-1/2
Ger. 7% Int'l. Loan, 1924	5-1/2
Chartered Bank	8-3/4
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	79
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	85
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	18-1/2
Chosen Corporation	4-1/2
Mercantile Bank of India, £5, "G"	11-1/8
Pekin Syndicate	1/6
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15-1/2
S'hai Waterworks "A"	13-1/2
Union Insurance	20
Gula Kalumpung Rubber Lon., Mid. & Scot. Rly.	15-7/8
Great Western Rly.	34-3/4
National Bank of India B.A. Tob. (bearer)	93-1/4
Dunlop Rubber	34-1/2
Bristol Aeroplane	10-1/2
Imperial Chemical Ind.	30-1/2
United Steel	22-9/16
Woolworths	55-7/8
Marsman Investments	7-1/2
Western Holdings	10-3/8
Sub-Niel	150-6/8
Shell Trans. & Trad.	44-6/8

Increasing Food Production

In order to seek a fundamental solution of the food problem, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry has mapped out a detailed and comprehensive plan for increasing food production.

The plan has been submitted to the Executive Yuan accompanied by a request for an appropriation of \$9,000,000 to finance its execution.

Meanwhile, the Ministry has decided to convene a national agricultural administration conference in Chungking in March, at which the food problem and the above-mentioned plan will be thoroughly discussed.

The conference is to be attended by experts in agriculture and forestry as well as officials in the two fields throughout the country. (Central News).

KANSU TO INCREASE COTTON OUTPUT

Co-operative measures have been worked out jointly by the Reconstruction Department of the Kansu Provincial Government and the Economic Reconstruction Commission to increase the cotton output in Kansu province.

A total of \$44,000 has been raised for this purpose and a Cotton Industry Promotion Committee will be formed. The whole province will be divided into three areas Lung Tung (east Kansu), Lung Nan (south Kansu) and Ho Hai (west of the Yellow River) for the extension of cotton planting. (Central News).

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 28, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.41	10.38	10.40	10.38	.02 off
New York Rubber, March	19.46	19.38	19.42	19.38	.04 off
Chicago Wheat, May	85 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2	84 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn, May	63 1/2	62	63	62	1 off
New York Hides, March	12.98	12.92	13.00	12.93N	.07 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change
March 10.40/40 10.40/40 10.38/38 .02 off
May 10.43/43 10.41/41 10.41/41 .02 off
July 10.34/34 10.33/33 10.30 N .04 off
October 9.83 N 9.88/88 9.80/80 .08 off
December 9.83/83 9.84a 9.75 N .07 off
January (1942) 9.78 N 9.82a 9.71 N .07 off
Spot 10.08 10.87 .11 off

Total sales Saturday—26,400 bales.
The first notice day for March cotton is 25/2/41 and last day is 14/3/41.

NEW YORK RUBBER
March 19.42/42 19.32b/50a 19.36/37 .06 off
May 19.30b/34a 19.25b/40a 19.25/28 .05 off
July (New contract) 19.22b/24a 19.23b 19.18 N .04 off
September 19.15b 19.25/25 19.15b unch.

Total sales—160 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT
May 85 1/2/85 1/2 85 1/2/85 1/2 84 1/2/84 1/2 1 off
July 79 1/2/79 78 1/2/78 1/2 78 1/2/78 1/2 1 off
September 79 1/2/79 79 1/2/79 79 1/2/79 1 off

Saturday's sales—5,598,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN
May 63/63 63/63 63/63 unch.
July 63 1/2/63 1/2 63 1/2/63 1/2 63 1/2/63 1/2
September 63 1/2/63 1/2 63 1/2/63 1/2 63 1/2/63 1/2

NEW YORK HIDES
March 13.00/00 12.98/99 12.93 N .07 off
June 12.68b/72a 12.64b/71a 12.63/69 .05 off

Total sales for the day—17 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA
March 4.96 N 4.94b/98a 4.96 N unch.
May 5.03 N 4.98b/5.03a 5.03 N

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3
March 2.02b/03a 2.02b/03a unch.
May 2.06b/07a 2.06b/08a

Volume of business done—236 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4
March 76 1/2/77a 76 1/2/77a 76 1/2/77a .00 1/2 off
May 79 1/2/80a 79 1/2/80a 79 1/2/80a unch.

Volume of business done—unrecalled.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES
July 11.33b/40a 11.40b/50a 11.43b/49a .02 up
March 11.41b/47a 11.30b/42a 11.38b/44a .05 up
N.Y. Official Silver unquoted 34-3/4
N.Y./London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2.

EMPLOYEES' CONFERENCE

That the postal authorities are petitioning to rescind the order forbidding the employment of married women as postal clerks "so as to uphold sex equality," was one of the resolutions drawn up at the fourth national convention of the National Postal Employees' Association held in Chungking.

Another resolution called upon the postal authorities to improve transportation facilities and to resume accepting parcel posts as a means to increase the postal revenue. (Central News).

BARTER SYSTEM IN FREE CHINA

The War Zone Economic Commission is encouraging the institution of a barter system between provinces producing salt and rice as a measure to regulate the supply of these staples.

Both Chekiang and Fukien are bartering salt for Kiangsi rice. Arrangements have been completed for exchanging another 60,000 bags of Chekiang salt for Kiangsi rice. (Central News).

Woodcut Exhibition in Chungking

An exhibition of woodcuts will be held here in the beginning of March under the auspices of the Anti Aggression Association of Chinese Woodcutters. Preparations in this regard are being made.

The exhibits will be sold and the proceeds therefrom will be distributed to frontline soldiers as comfort funds. (Central News).

BRICK TEA FACTORY IN HUNAN

To meet the increasing demand of brick tea for export the Hunan Provincial Government has established a Brick Tea Factory, which is capable of making 1,000 tea bricks every day. A total of 80,000 cases of brick tea will be made for the current year. (Central News).

OVERSEAS CHINESE INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

An Overseas Chinese Industrial Corporation will be established in Kwangtung for the economic development of the province. The capital of the concern has been fixed at \$20,000,000, half of which will be first paid up.

Chinese in the South Sea regions and in America will be invited to invest in this concern. (Central News).

Kwangtung Officials Get Higher Pay

The Kwangtung Provincial Government has ordered the increase of the salaries and wages of government employees in view of the high standard of living in the province.

Each civil official will get a raise of \$20 and each servant \$10. In places where \$1 will buy less than one municipal catty of rice, each civil official will get a raise of \$30 and each servant \$15. (Central News).

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JANUARY 28, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale Jan. 27	STOCKS	Last Sale Jan. 27
Adams Express	6 1/2	Loew's Inc.	33 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	23 1/2	Loft Incorporated	18
American Chalmers	34 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	31 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	73 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	29
Amer. Can.	90 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	26 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	34 1/2	Montgomery Ward	37 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1	Mt. City Copper Co.	3
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	19	National Aviation	9 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	15 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2	National Distillers	22 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	National Lead	16 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. Sugar & Refining Co.	42 1/2	National Supply Corp.	6 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	15 1/2	New York Central	14 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	16 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	3
Amer. Tobacco "B"	71 1/2	N. American Aviation	16 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	6 1/2	North American Co.	10 1/2
Anaconda Copper	25 1/2	Northern Pacific	7 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	45 1/2
Aviation Corp.	42	Pacific Gas & Elec.	28 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	16 1/2	Packard Motors	3
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2	Pan-American Airways	11 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2	Paramount Pictures	14 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	9	Pennsylvania R.R.	24
Bendix Aviation	37	Philadelphia Read. Coal	5 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	85 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	37 1/2
Bliss & Co.	18 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	29 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	18 1/2	Pullman Inc.	27
Borg-Warner	18 1/2	Pure Oil	8
Briggs Mfg.	23 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	44 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	43	Reading Company, Com.	14 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	3 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	54 1/2
Case, J.I.	54	Republic Aviation Corp.	24 1/2
Celanese	26 1/2	Republic Steel	41 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	43	Revere Corp.	10 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	67 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	33 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	41	Safeway Stores	42
Commercial Credit Co.	29 1/2	Schenley Distillers	10 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	2	Sears Roebuck	75 1/2
Consolidated Edison	22 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	9 1/2
Continental Can.	19	Southern Pacific	10
Continental Oil	19	Southern Rly \$5 pfd.	24 1/2
Copperweld Steel	17 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	36 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C)	9	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	28 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	1
Deere & Co.	21 1/2	Standard Oil of California	19 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	17 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	34 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2	Stone & Webster	7 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	15 1/2	Studebaker Com.	71
Eagle Picher Lead	9 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	35 1/2	Technicolor	94 1/2
Elec. Autolite	31 1/2	Texas Corp.	38 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	3 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	37 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	56	Timken-Axle	32
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	66 1/2	Trans-America Co.	4 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	33 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	6 1/2
Flintkote	14	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	54 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	67 1/2
Gen. Electric	34 1/2	Union Pacific	82 1/2
Gen. Motors	44 1/2	United Aircraft	40 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	12 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	14 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2	United Corp.	1
Gillette Co.	14 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	27 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2	United Gas Corp.	10
Goodrich \$5 pf.	64	United Gas Improvement	28
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Great Northern Iron Ore	15	U.S. Rubber	23 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	90 1/2
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Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	U.S. Steel	67 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	72 1/2	Vanadium	31 1/2
Homestake Mining	50 1/2	Vultee Aircraft	7
Int. Nickel	26 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	13 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	34
Int. Tel. & Tel.	21 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	99 1/2
Johns-Manville	61 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	30 1/2
Kennecott Copper	34 1/2	Chase National Bank	—
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	37 1/2	National City Bank	—
Lockheed Aircraft	25 1/2		

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Low	111.64	30	128.47	128.47	.07 up
Industrials	32.07	22.15	29.85	29.79	.06 up
Rails	26.45	18.03	20.48	20.48	.05 up
Utilities	82.13	83.08	83.02	83.02	.08 up
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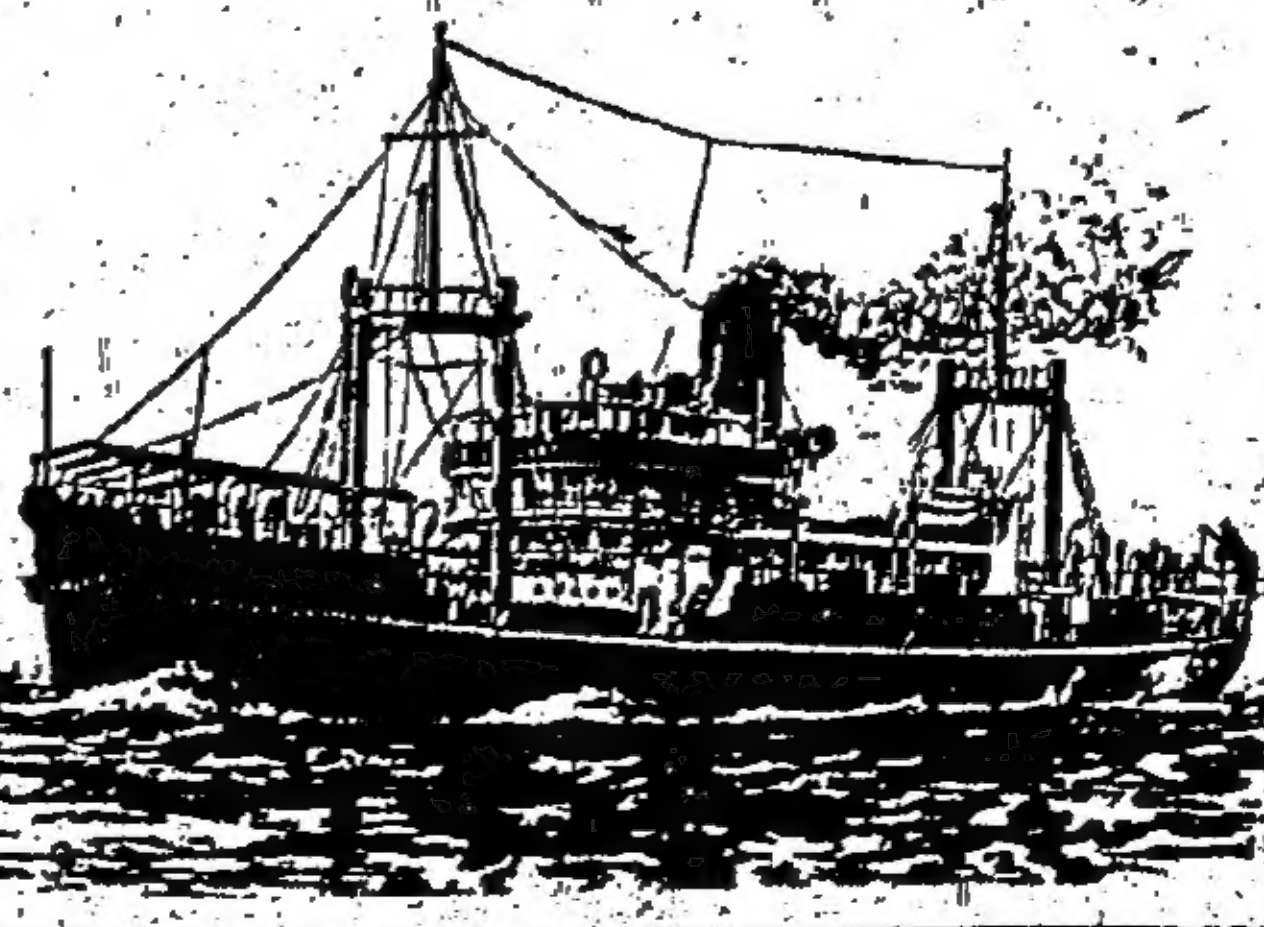
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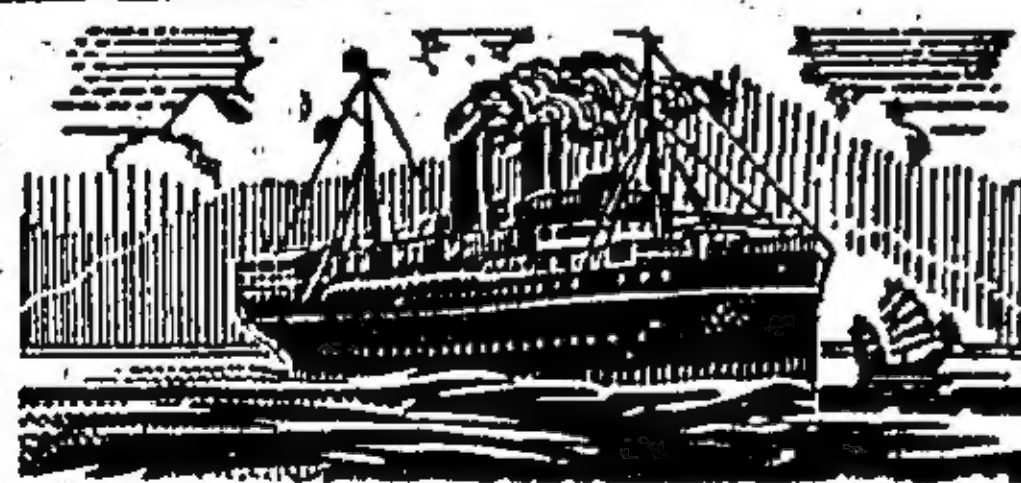
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Matsuoka Reiterates Full Support For Nanking Govt.

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Replying to a question at yesterday afternoon's session of the Budget Committee meeting, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Foreign Minister, said that the Government had vainly tried to induce General Chiang Kai-shek to reconsider his attitude and join Nanking, but now that Japan had formally recognised the Nanking Government Japan would wholeheartedly support it and at the same time would continue exhorting Chiang Kai-shek to join Nanking, the ultimate object being a full settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Regarding the retrocession of Japanese concession in China, the Foreign Minister stated that although the exact time cannot be told, it will be done as soon as possible. At the same time Foreign Powers will be exhorted to act likewise.

The Foreign Minister said that as a result of the negotiations conducted since last year, an economic understanding has been reached between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies, nearly satisfying Japan's needs and the rest is being taken up by the envoy, Mr. Yoshizawa.

Quoted about the intention behind sending Admiral Nomura to the United States, Mr. Matsuoka said that the main purpose was an exchange of frank views with government circles and leaders of America.

Regarding the Siberian Railway facilities extended by the Soviet Union, he stated that satisfactory facilities, much greater than those of last year, are now being extended by the Soviet Union and Japan-Manchukuo joint negotiations are now going on with the Soviet in this respect.

JAPANESE IN SHANGHAI CALLED TO COLOURS

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Central).—The Japanese Government is calling up able-bodied Japanese men in Shanghai for military service.

The Japanese Consulate-General in Shanghai has issued a proclamation ordering all Japanese men in the port city born between Dec. 2, 1919 and Dec. 1, 1920 to report physical examinations and enlistment.

Italians Depressed By The British Capture Of Tobruk

BELGRADE, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—People arriving here from Trieste yesterday reported that the capture of Tobruk has caused grave depression among the population who believed the British offensive had been held up.

Fascist circles are unable to explain this new reverse which has undermined confidence in official propaganda, especially in regard to the prospects of Italian success in Albania.

Well-informed sources, indeed, openly admit that the only hope in Africa and Albania is German assistance which they fear will make Italy completely dependent on the Reich.

This bitter pill has discouraged even the most ardent party men who see no future for Italian Fascism.

INFLUX OF NAZIS

A feeling of virtual occupation is enhanced by the increasing influx of Nazi officials and spies controlling the censorship and penetrating the administration.

The German view of the military position in Italy is not far removed from that prevailing in Fascist circles. A Nazi military expert told a traveller from Vienna that the British had dealt Italy a most serious blow in Africa because the Italians had lost 100,000 soldiers specially trained in desert warfare.

MASSING FOR AIR ATTACKS

Salon radio announced yesterday that the Germans were reported to have concentrated 2,000 planes on the French channel ports for a mass attack on Britain—(Special)

JAPANESE NAVY CONSTRUCTION**MINISTER HINTS AT SECRET WEAPON**

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—Japan need not spend as much as the United States in her naval building programme because the Japanese Navy means to meet the mammoth American naval building by constructing a unique category of arms with a contrivance originally evolved by itself, declared Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, the Japanese Navy Minister, before the Budget Committee of the House of Representatives.

"Nothing will be left undone in preparing to meet the worst eventuality," he said.

While declining to give details, Admiral Oikawa assured an interpolator that the Japanese Navy could meet the requirements of every possible contingency in connection with defence, not only in Japan but in the sphere of common prosperity of Greater East Asia.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (Reuter).—The British steamer Kerkira arrived here yesterday with 15 British merchant marine officers to man the ships purchased in the United States by Great Britain.

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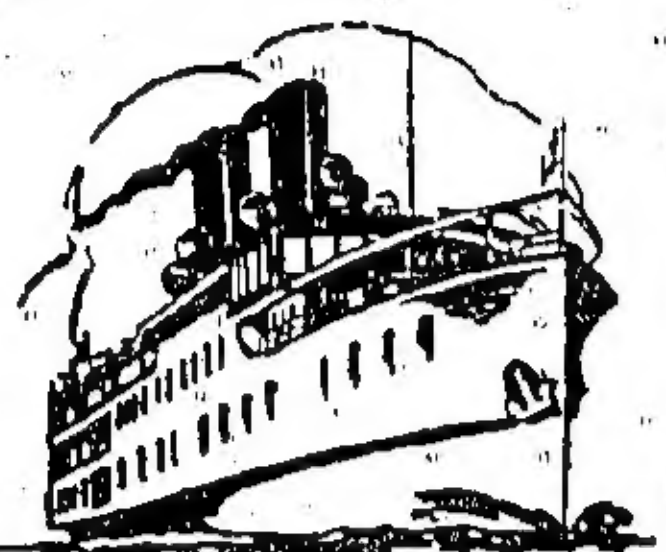
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Col. Frank Knox, Secretary for Navy (upper picture) and Mr. Henry Stimson, Secretary for War, who have testified on the Lease or Lend Bill in Washington.

CHINESE RETAKE SHANTUNG COASTAL TOWN

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Central)—Hailu, a coastal town on the Shantung Peninsula, reverted to Chinese control following fighting on Jan. 20.

The Chinese forced an entry into the town and challenged the Japanese garrison to street combats. After suffering about 300 killed, the Japanese withdrew, abandoning 124 rifles, and 53,000 rounds of ammunition.

Following their recent reverses, the Japanese troops engaged in a northward drive from Sinyang, strategic town on the Peiping-Hankow Line in south Honan, have called in reinforcements and are making a fresh thrust under a heavy barrage. Clashes are taking place at Jientien, Shatze-kang and Maotai. Chinese units have been sent to attack the Japanese rear.

The Japanese troops at Chung-siang on the east bank of the Ssang River in Hupeh are moving northward in three columns of about 1,000 men each. One column is attacking Fengloho, a second column Liushukou and a third Changshoutien. Serious fighting is going on at these places.

Funeral Procession For Philanthropist

All flags were flown at half-mast in Sian when the remains of the late General Chu Ching-lan, well-known philanthropist and member of the National Relief Commission, were removed from the city to the Ta Hsing Shan Ssu (temple) in the suburbs.

Some 10,000 people took part in the funeral procession. General Chiang Ting-wen, Chairman of the Shensi Provincial Government, was among the high government officials present. (Central News)

Heavy Japanese Losses In Taihu Area

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Central)—Military advices from the west Chekiang front claim that the Japanese suffered about 1,000 casualties in their unsuccessful attack on Hoki from Changling and Iking in the Taihu (lake) regions recently.

It is said that on January 24th 27 truckloads of Japanese wounded soldiers and 15 truckloads of Japanese dead were sent from Changling to Hangchow via Wukang.

Hostile action in the Ichang sector in Hupeh continues, according to reports from Hupeh. On the morning of Jan. 25 some 1,000 Japanese troops supported by field guns pushed toward Tienpaoshan (hill), north-east of Ichang. They were intercepted.

SERIOUS REVERSE
After a serious reverse, the Japanese troops from Kingmen and Chuchiatow in central Hupeh renewed their offensive with the aid of 3,000 reinforcements on Jan. 25. One column headed for Pelyunshan (hill), a second for Huchiatow and a third for the west bank of the Ssang River, all encountering tenacious Chinese resistance.

A Japanese northward drive from Tangyang, southwest of Kingmen, is also meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance at Maanshan (hill).

In south Honan more than 4,000 Japanese troops from Sinyang, strategic town on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, suffered heavy casualties in an attempt to reduce Chashan on Jan. 25.

SPRING FESTIVAL RECEPTION IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Jan. 28 (Central)—The Chinese-American Institute of Cultural Relations gave a tea reception at Chialing House to local Chinese cultural leaders yesterday on the occasion of the Spring Festival.

About 300 people were present including Mr. Yu Yu-jen, President of the Control Yuan, who is Chairman of the Oriental Cultural Association recently organized in Chungking by Chinese, Japanese, Formosan, Korean and other Asiatic leaders sympathetic with the Chinese cause.

SHANGHAI JAPANESE RATEPAYERS TRY TO SAVE HAYASHI FROM LAW

Mr. Anthony Hastings George, British Consul-General in Shanghai, called on Mr. T. Horiuchi, Japanese Consul-General, last Saturday in connexion with the shooting incident at the Shanghai Municipal Ratepayers' meeting recently, says a Shanghai dispatch.

OFFICE ABOLISHED

At the request of Mr. Lo Yi-chuen, Administrative Commissioner for Southern Kwangtung, the office has been abolished by the Kwangtung Provincial Government in view of the complete pacification of the area following the enforced withdrawal of Japanese troops.

Mr. Lo arrived in Shuiquan from Kweilin and reported on his duties to Gen. Li Han-huen, Chairman of Kwangtung. Mr. Lo was commended for his meritorious work, says Central News.

STOP PRESS

Speaking at an Anglo-Swedish Society luncheon in London yesterday, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, said, "We British are a proud people and, in 800 years, have spread out from this tiny island across the seven seas. We are also ferociously independent." (Special)

General de Gaulle, leader of the Free French forces, has addressed a message to the boys and girls of Britain. (Special)

FURTHER CHINESE SUCCESSES IN HUPEH

ICHENG, Jan. 28 (Central)—Further successes have been scored by Chinese troops operating in the Ssang River valley in Central Hupeh. Following the collapse of the Japanese offensive on Yuanan on the west bank of the river, the Chinese up to Jan. 26 have driven the Japanese to the neighbourhood of Tangyang and recovered all the positions previously lost.

As a result of persistent Chinese attacks during Jan. 25 and 26, the Japanese column pushing northward from Kingmen has been routed and is beating a hasty retreat toward the latter city with Chinese troops close on its trail. Chinese advance guards on Jan. 26 reached Tungmuling (hill) in the vicinity of Kingmen and are converging on the city.

On the east bank of the Ssang River, the Chinese are equally successful. The Japanese units which pushed northward from Yangtsi on Jan. 26, were intercepted by the Chinese and suffered more than 500 casualties. One small contingent of the invaders was isolated surrounded and decimated, while the main Japanese force is retreating toward their base.

While the Japanese authorities have admitted that Mr. Hayashi, President of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association, fired the shots at Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and indicated that he will be charged with attempted murder, Japanese residents in Shanghai who are sympathetic with him are trying to save him from the law.

The Shanghai Japanese Residents' Association held a meeting last Saturday when it was decided to elect representatives to ask the Japanese Consul-General to release Hayashi. If the petition is turned down, the best Japanese lawyers in Shanghai will be called up to defend him in Court.

Meanwhile, the Japanese ratepayers are still strongly opposed to the increase of municipal taxes as proposed by the Shanghai Municipal Council. A heated debate is expected at the next Shanghai Municipal Ratepayers' meeting. (Central News)

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